

PANDORA THE STILL GHOST JRN



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PANDORA IN THE CRIMSON SHELL

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GHOST URN-EPISODE.log — The story so far!

In the not-so-distant future, humanity has entered a politically and economically tumultuous era. Wars and giant natural disasters occur frequently all over the world, while advanced information networks begin to cover the globe.

While en route to Cenande, an artificial resort island, young Nanakorobi Nene meets Uzal and her companion Clarion. A fast friendship forms, but just as Nene is about to begin her new life on Cenande, she's caught up in a terrorist incident that threatens her new friends! And to make things worse, a massive boring machine called Buer is out of control underground...!

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■ **Nanakorobi Nene**

A girl whose brain was implanted into an entirely artificial body after an accident when she was young. Nene has one of the few full-body prosthetics in the world!

■ **Clarion**

A combat android owned by Uzal. Clarion has many top-secret, illegal programs tucked away inside her.

■ **Uzal Delilah**

The mysterious Uzal, also known as Sahar Schehera, is a well-known international businesswoman, but she has plenty of secrets. She's responsible for the current uproar on the island.

■ **Uzal's Subordinates**

They betrayed Uzal and began a terrorist attack on the island, but soon abandoned the idea of rebellion and went back to her.

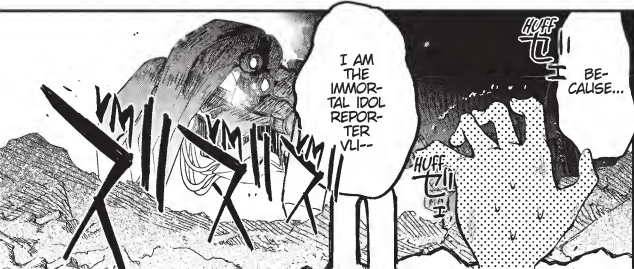
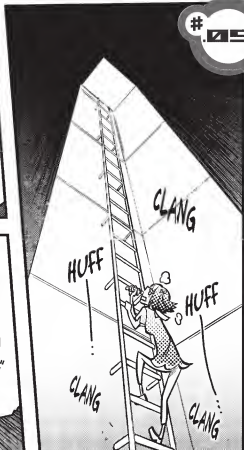
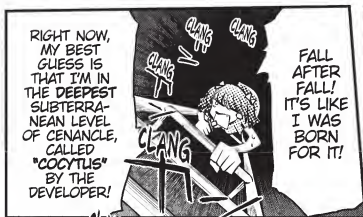
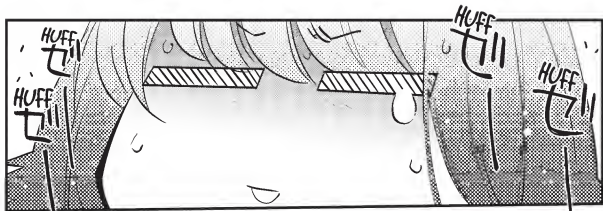
■ **Massive Boring Machine: Buer**

A large multi-legged boring machine developed by Uzal for excavating resources from deep underground.

■ **Vlind** ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

A perky, enthusiastic new Titan TV reporter who happened to be on the scene when the terrorist incident occurred.





A black and white manga-style illustration. In the center, a small character with a bow in their hair stands on a path. The background is a chaotic scene of energy and destruction. A large, bright, circular energy source with radiating lines is in the upper center. To its left, a large, dark, circular structure with a spiral pattern is visible. The ground is covered in debris and energy spikes. Several jagged, star-shaped energy bursts are scattered around the character, each labeled with 'RR'. Two speech bubbles are present: one at the top right saying '--NE-KUN!' and a larger one in the middle right saying 'COME IN! NENE-KUN!'.

--NE-KUN!

COME
IN!
NENE-
KUN!

RR

RR

RR

RR

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SPELL...

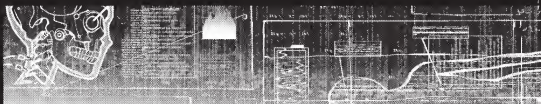
THE
"EVERY-
THING'S
OKAY"...



I...

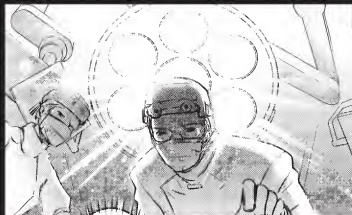
WHAT HAPPENED TO HER
FAMILY IS SO HORRIBLE.

SHE'S ALREADY HAD
BRAIN SURGERY. PYXIS
SYNDROME IS APPALLING.
HOW CAN THIS BE THE
ONLY WAY TO SAVE SUCH
A YOUNG CHILD?



THIS SURGERY IS
STILL EXPERIMENTAL.

IT BARELY EVEN QUALIFIES AS
MEDICAL TREATMENT ANYMORE.



AUDIO AND VISUAL
INTERFACES ARE
OPERATIONAL.

CIRCULATION OF
GANGLIA NANITES
INITIATED.

NEURAL RESPONSES
AND REFLEXES NORMAL.

CONSCIOUSNESS
HAS BEEN VERIFIED.

I'M
OKAY,
SO...

AND HER PARENTS--
THE ACCIDENT...?

WE'LL TELL HER AFTER
SHE'S STABILIZED.



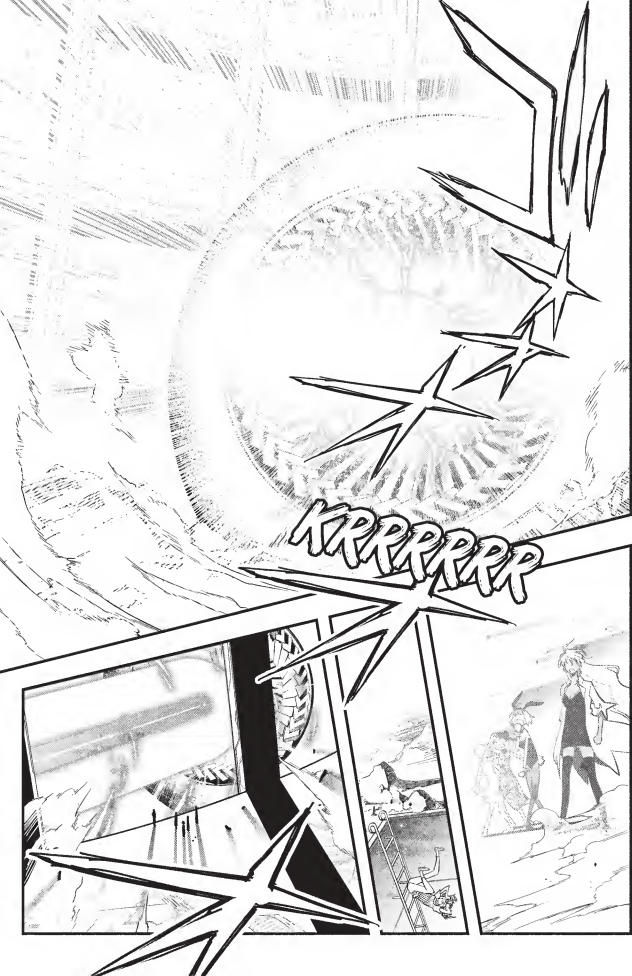
SO...

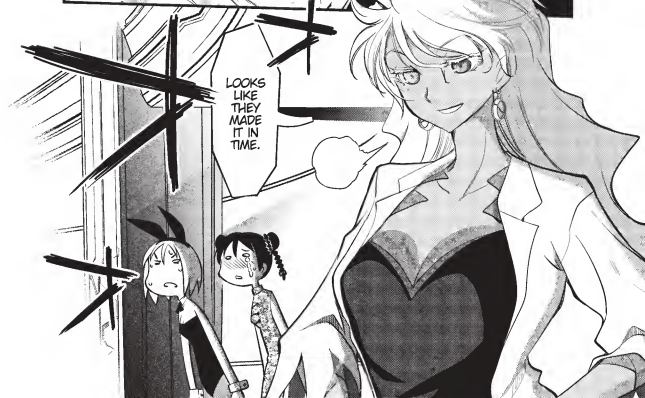


CLARION
HAS TO
BE...

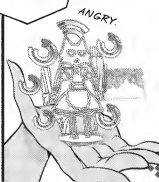
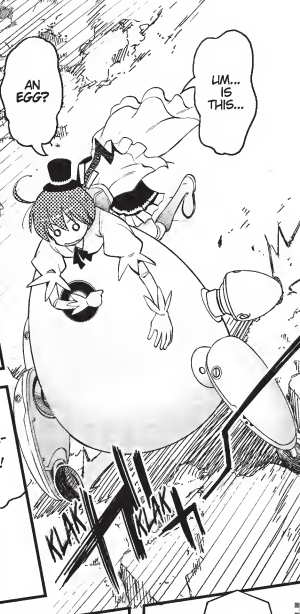


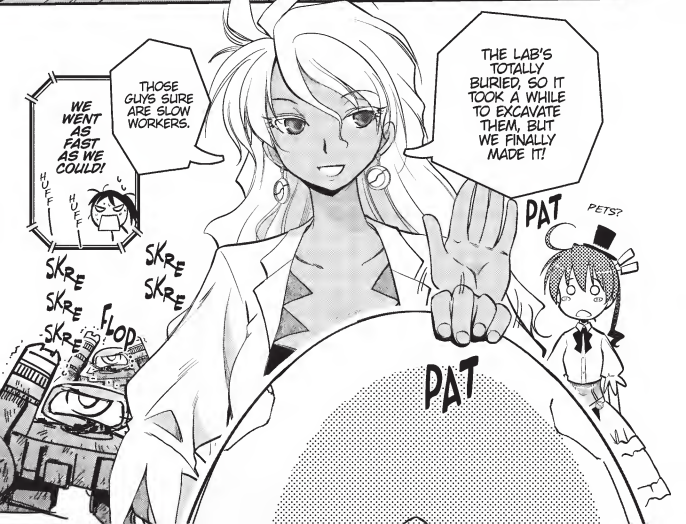
...OKAY
TOO.

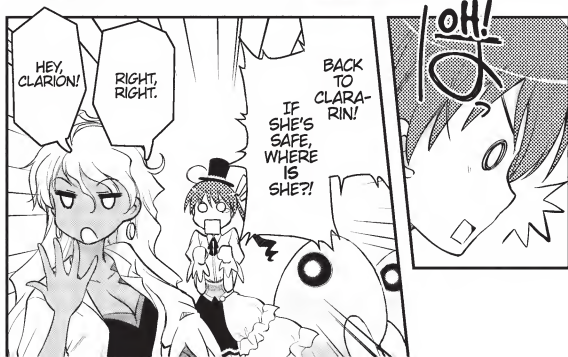


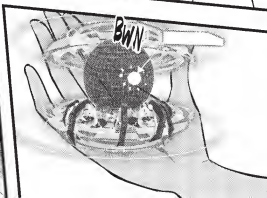
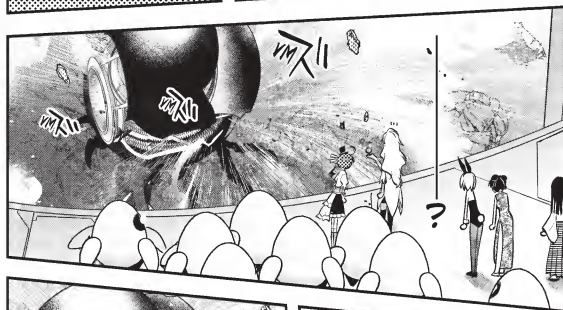
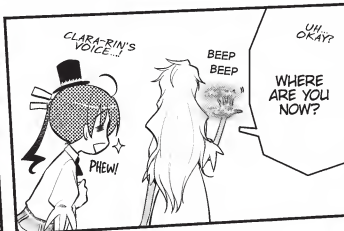


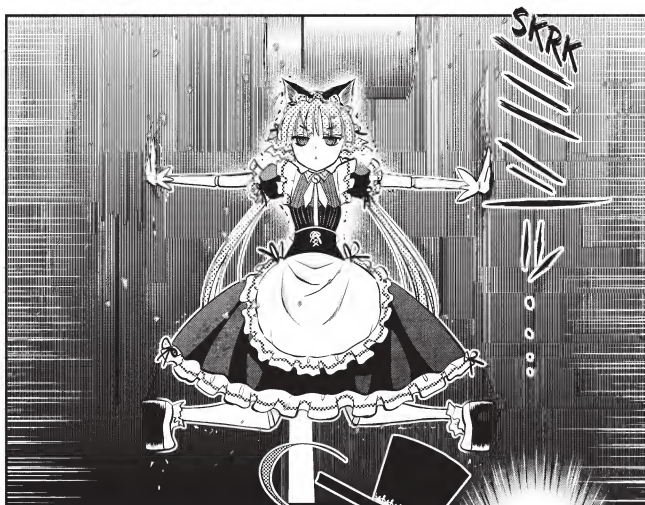
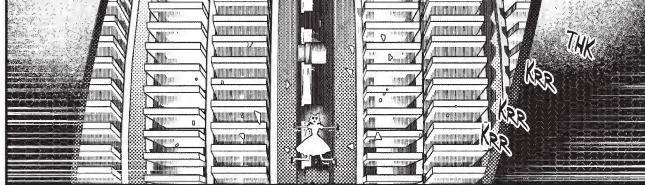














HMP?
WHERE'D
NENE-KUN GET
TO?

HUH?

SHE, UH...
PROBABLY
CAN'T HOLD
OUT FOR
LONG,
YEAH?

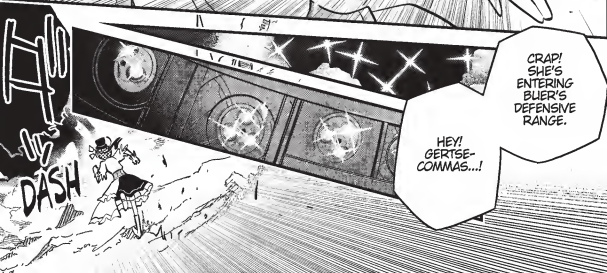
IT'S
INCREDIBLE
THAT SHE
SENT ALL HER
FIGHTING
POWER TO
NENE-KUN,
STUCK
LIKE THAT!

HOW
THE HELL
DID SHE
GET IN
THERE?



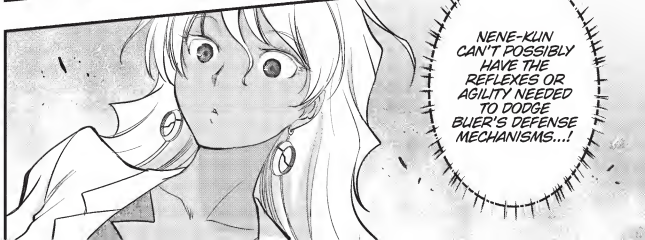
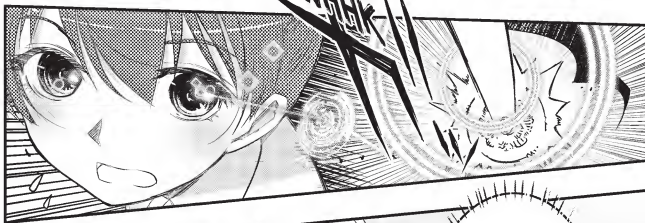
SO,
STOP
HER,
IDIOT!

SHE
TOOK
OFF, SO?

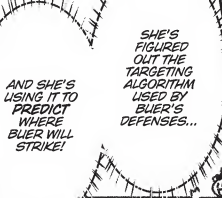


CRAP!
SHE'S
ENTERING
BLER'S
DEFENSIVE
RANGE.

HEY!
GERTSE-
COMMAS...!

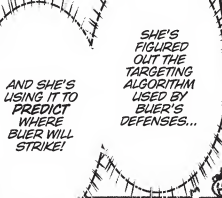


NENE-KLIN
CAN'T POSSIBLY
HAVE THE
REFLEXES OR
AGILITY NEEDED
TO DODGE
BUER'S DEFENSE
MECHANISMS....!



AND SHE'S
USING IT TO
PREDICT
WHERE
BUER WILL
STRIKE!

SHE'S
FIGURED
OUT THE
TARGETING
ALGORITHM
USED BY
BUER'S
DEFENSES...



AND SHE'S
USING IT TO
PREDICT
WHERE
BUER WILL
STRIKE!

SHE'S
FIGURED
OUT THE
TARGETING
ALGORITHM
USED BY
BUER'S
DEFENSES...

SHE'S READING THE ATTACK PATTERNS.

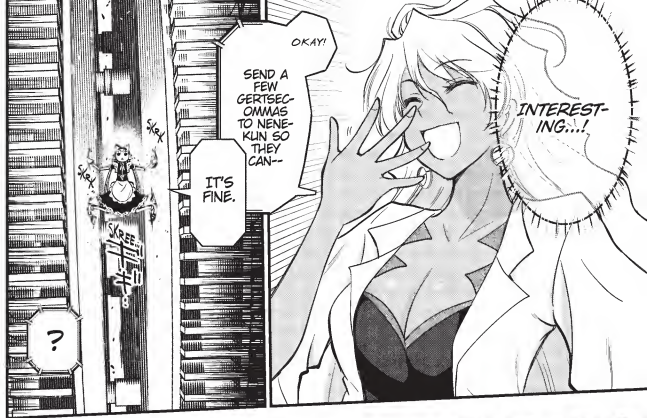
OHHH, I SEE. SHE'S NOT DODGING.

SHE'S READING THE ATTACK PATTERNS.

OHHH, I SEE. SHE'S NOT DODGING.

NENE-KLIN'S
FOCUS AND
ADAPTABILITY
HAVE BEEN A
CONSTANT
SURPRISE
SINCE WE MET,
BUT I'M
STARTING TO
THINK THERE
HAS TO BE
SOMETHING
ELSE...

*BUT...
THAT'S
NOT
EXACTLY
AN EASY
WAY TO
USE THE
PANDORA
DEVICE.*



CLARA-
RIN?!

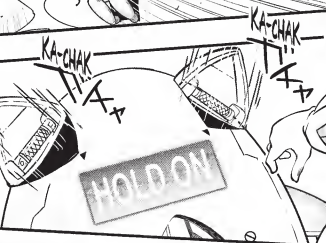
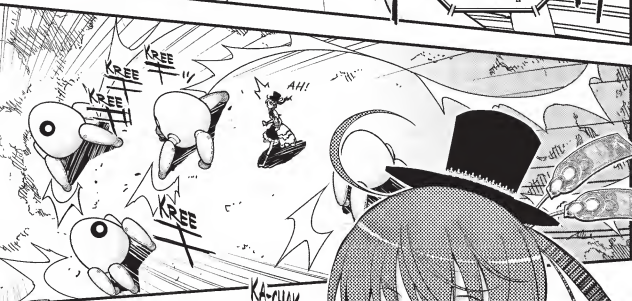
TAK

TAK

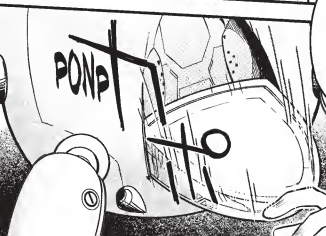
NENE,
GET ON.

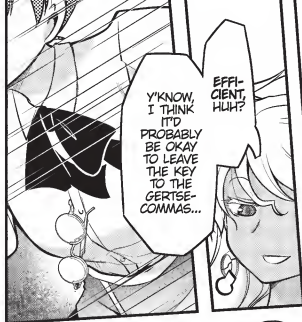
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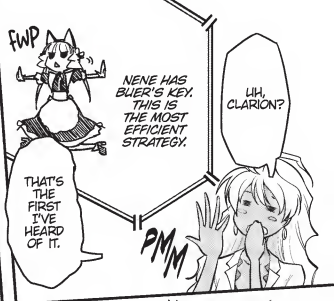


GET
ON
THIS...?





EFFICIENT, HUH?



THAT'S THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF IT.

NENE HAS BUER'S KEY. THIS IS THE MOST EFFICIENT STRATEGY.

UH, CLARION?

PMM



L-LIKE THIS? MAYBET



CLARA-RIN?



USER MANUAL.

DRIVE
BYOON!

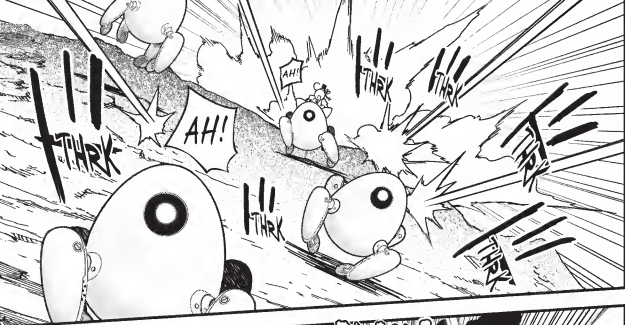
LET!

HRN

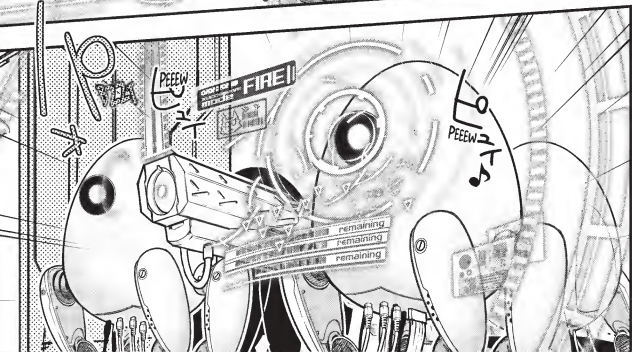
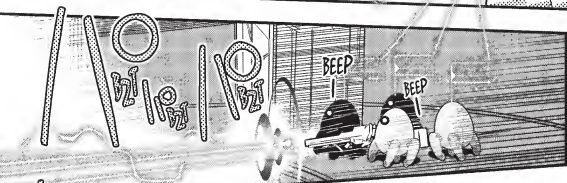
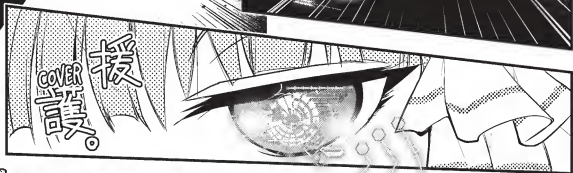
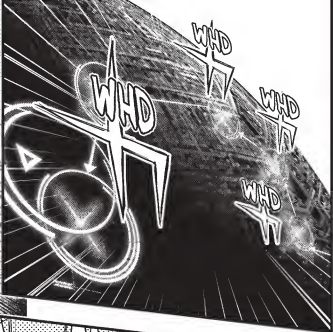
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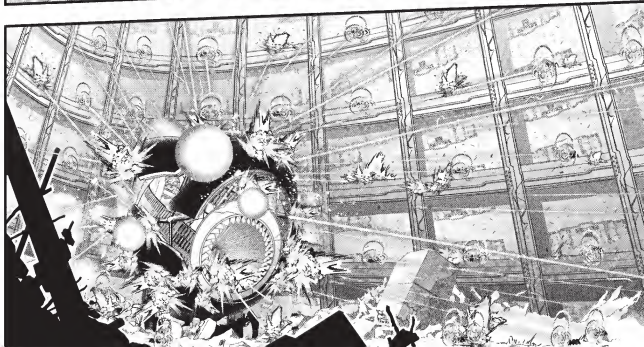
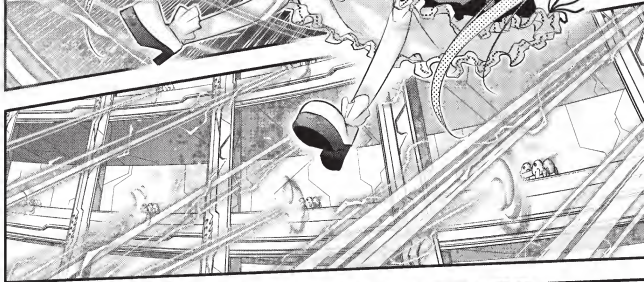
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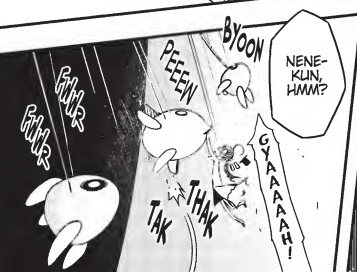
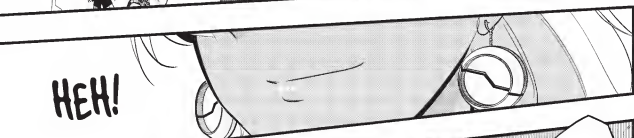
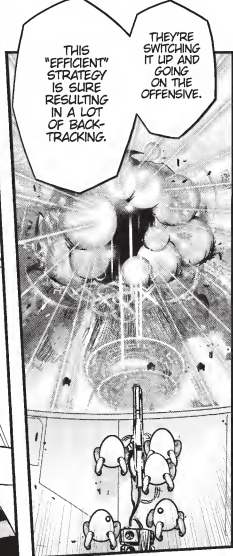
HRNT













ARE
YOU
OKAY
?!

HOLD ON!
I'LL BE
RIGHT
THERE TO
SAVE YOU!



THERE'S
NO
POINT.



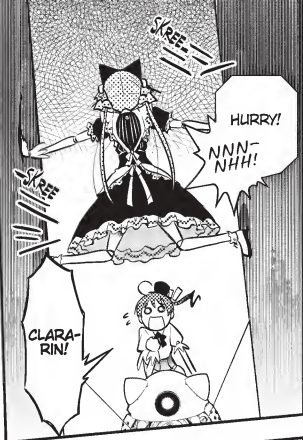
CLARA-
RIIIIN!!

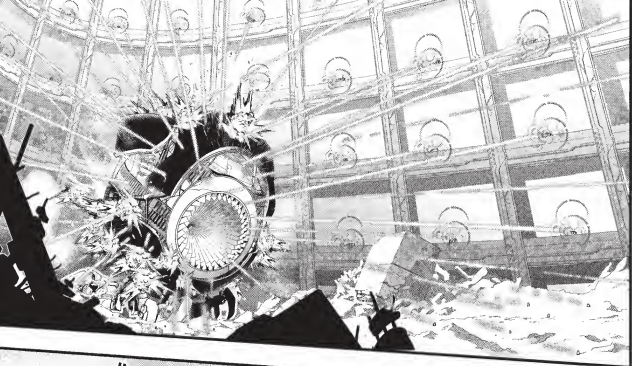


I AM
CURRENTLY
INCAPABLE
OF
MOVING.

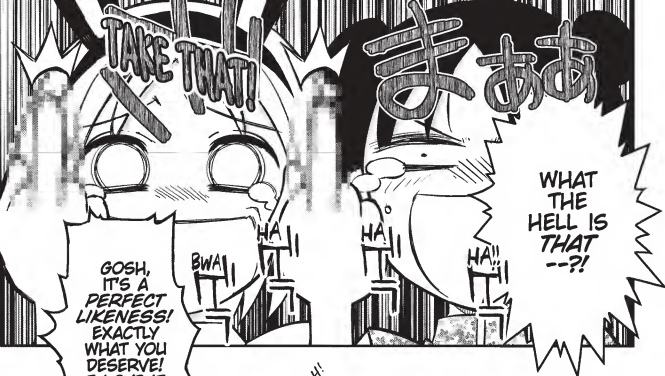
SO GO
STOP
BLER,
NENE.

BUT
--!









GOSH,
IT'S A
PERFECT
LIKENESS!
EXACTLY
WHAT YOU
DESERVE!
I LOVE IT
SOOOOOO
MUCH!

BWAH!

HA!

HA!

HA!

WHAT
THE
HELL IS
THAT
--?!



AAA!!

TREMBLE TREMBLE TREMBLE TREMBLE TREMBLE



GRIND
GRIND

IT
WON'T
WORK.

WHAT'S
THAT,
NENE-
KUN?



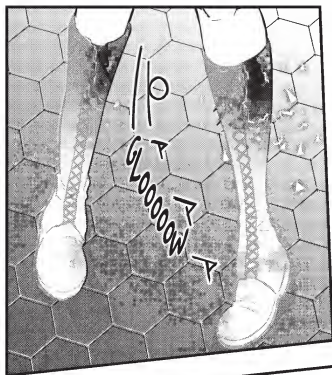
MWA
HA

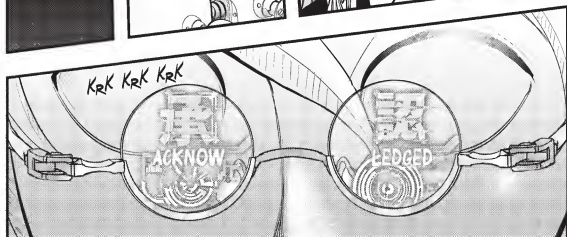
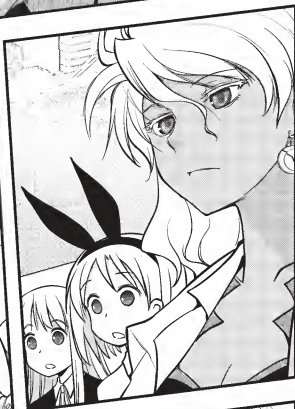
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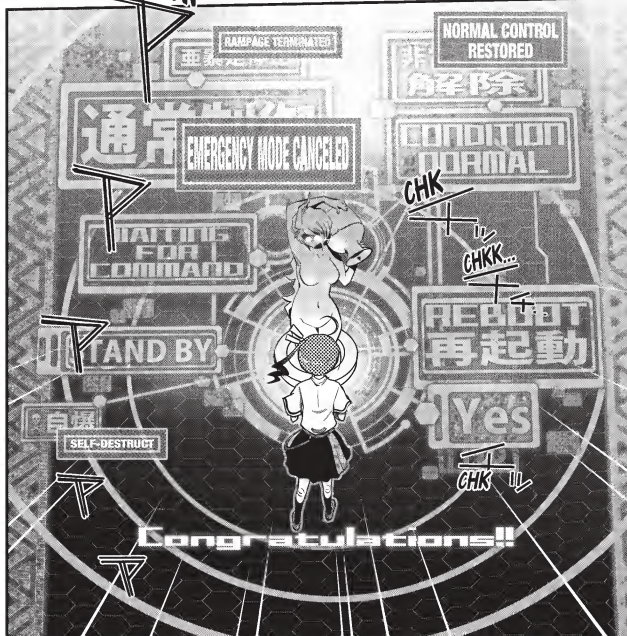
GET
THE
GLASSES
ON.

I
CAN'T...

LIM...







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KRR
KRR

CLATTER

AT THAT VERY
MOMENT, YOUR
REPORTER/CAMERA-
WOMAN/SOUND OPER-
ATOR/IDOL/LOVER
(A GIRL CAN DREAM)...

CLATTER

KRR

KRR

#

06

EMERGENCY USE ONLY
EMERGENCY ELEVATOR

FINALLY
SPOTTED
AN
EXIT!

KRR
KRR
KRR

PANT

PANT



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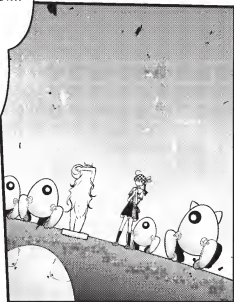
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WHEW!

IT...

IT
STOPPED
....!I
THINK?



GUESS
WE'RE
NOT IN
THE
CLEAR
YET.



I CAN'T
WAIT
TO SEE
MORE.

THAT
WAS AN
IMPRES-
SIVE
SHOWING!

CLAP
CLAP

WELL,
WELL.

W H O A !
Y E A H !

ALL
RIGHT!
YAY!!

SHE
DID IT!
SHE
REALLY
DID IT!

WE'RE
SAVED!

H O O R A Y !!



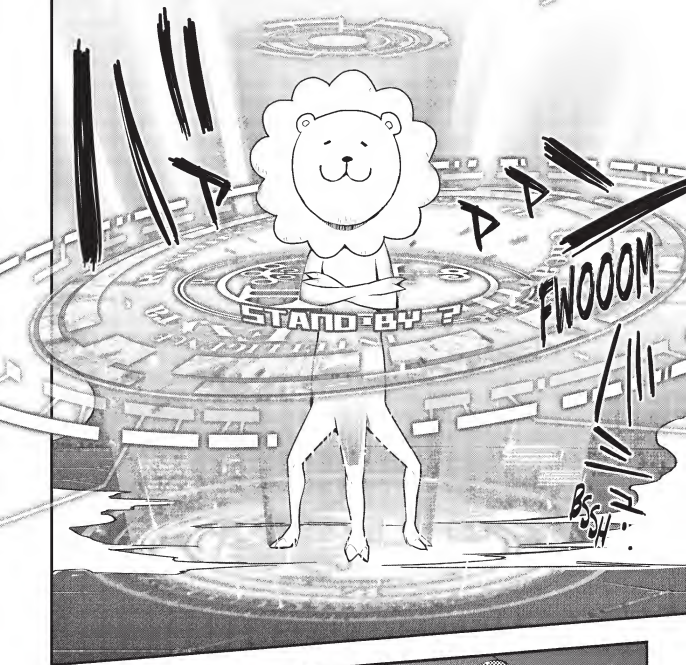
WHEN BLIER
REBOOTS,
THE SECURITY
IN EACH
AREA WILL BE
UPDATED.
HOW LONG DO
WE HAVE...?

CHIM
CHIM



I
SUPPOSE
IT'S TOO
BIG FOR
THEM
NOT TO INVESTI-
GATE.

THE CDF,
HUH? OF
COURSE
THE
MILITARY
GOT WIND
OF ALL
THIS.





HEY!
WE'RE
MOVING!



YOU
CAN'T
STOP
IT?!

BUT IF
YOU MOVE
AROUND,
YOU'LL
CRUSH
CLARA-RIN!

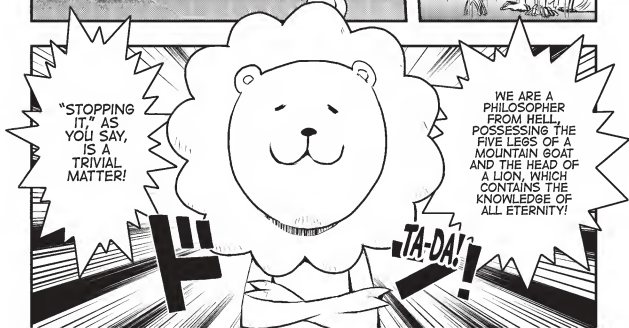
A
REBOOT
IS RE-
QUIRED.



WE'RE
RETURN-
ING TO
NORMAL
MODE,
THAT'S
ALL.

BUT I
TOLD
YOU TO
SETTLE
DOWN!

BAD
BUER!



"STOPPING
IT," AS
YOU SAY,
IS A
TRIVIAL
MATTER!

WE ARE A
PHILOSOPHER
FROM HELL,
POSSESSING THE
FIVE LEGS OF A
MOUNTAIN GOAT
AND THE HEAD OF
A LION, WHICH
CONTAINS THE
KNOWLEDGE OF
ALL ETERNITY!

TA-DA!

WARM
FUZZIES

OKAY!

BUT FIRST,
THOU
MUST
SHOW
US THY
PAN...

...TIES...

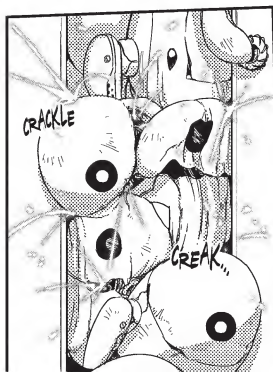
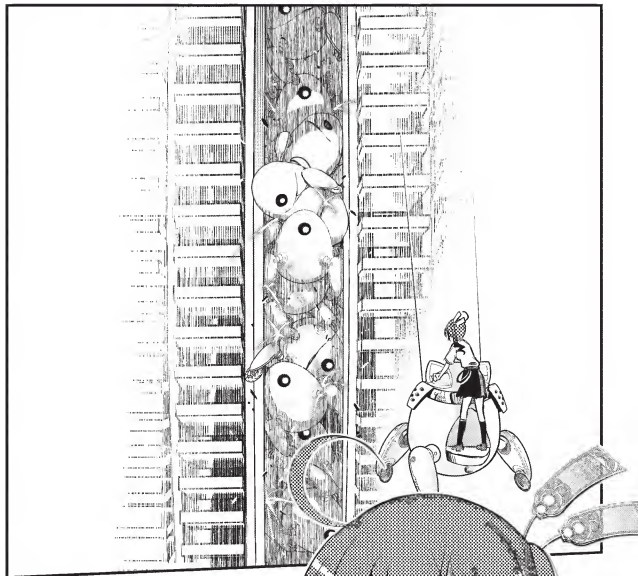
HOIST

FREEZE

VSSH

SHAAAA

CLARA-
RIN!







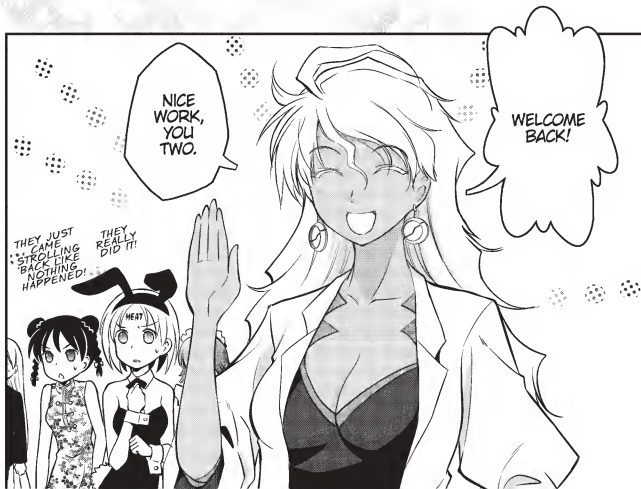


MY...

THANKS.



...



NICE
WORK,
YOU
TWO.

WELCOME
BACK!

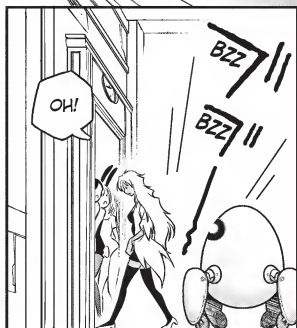
THEY JUST
CAME
STROLLING
BACK LIKE
NOTHING
HAPPENED!

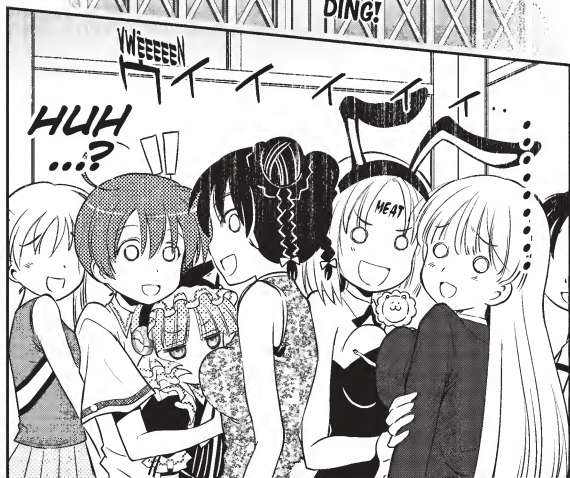
THEY
REALLY
DID IT!

HEAT











YOU'RE A
SCHEMING
CHEATER!



YOU'RE
NOT THE
SELF-
SACRIFICING
TYPE!

KRRRRRR



SAHAR!
WHAT'S
YOUR
GAME
HERE?!

WAIT!
HANG
ON--!

KA-CHAK

HEAT

SAHAAAR!

THK

THK

THK

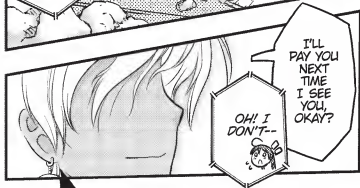
KRRRRRR

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STICK
WITH
NENE-
KUN.

カレオン CLARION

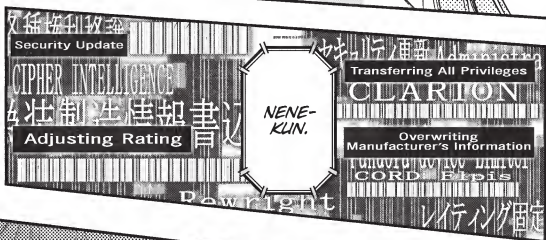
所有者登録 管理更新

Owner Registration

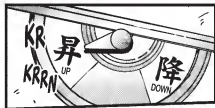
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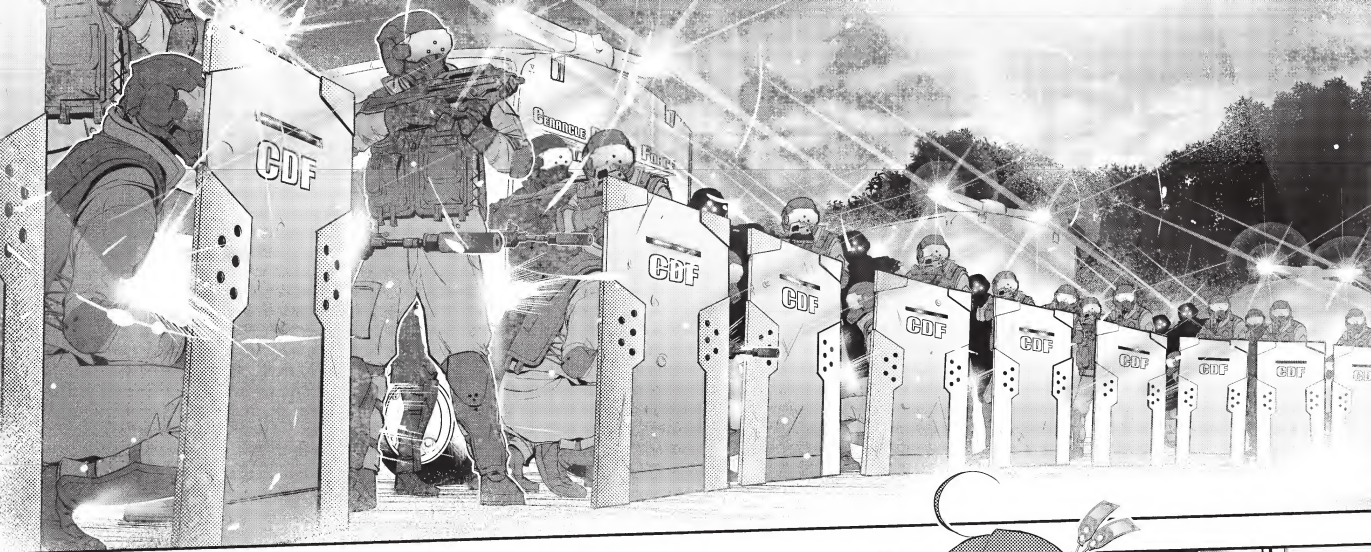
Administrator Rewrite

カレオン



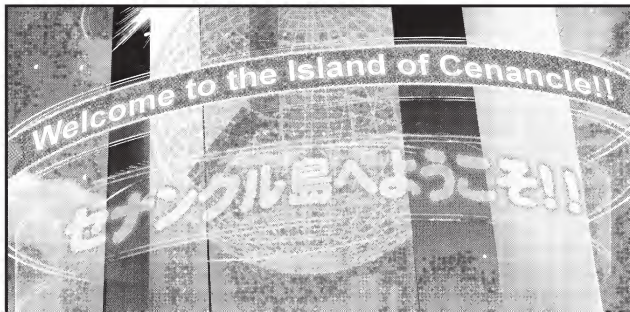
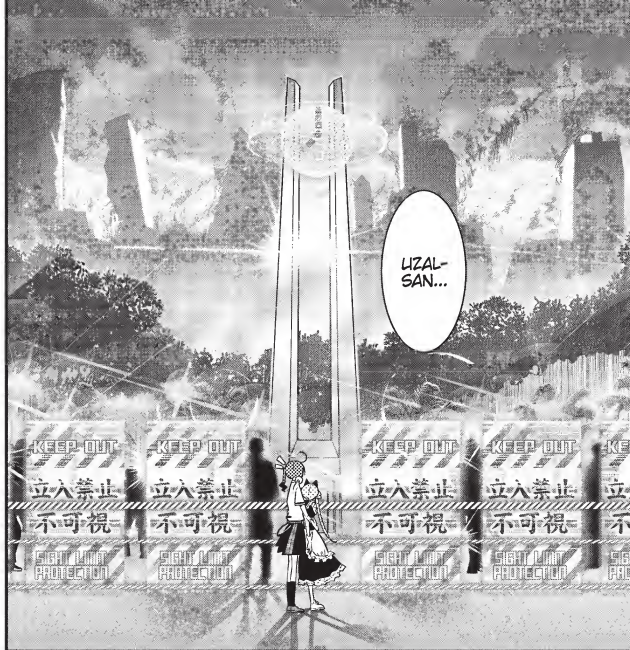




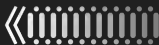








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AND NO WONDER THE WORLD'S LEADING COMPANIES WORK IN THIS TROPICAL PARADISE-- IT'S THE NEXT BEST THING TO HEAVEN!

JUST
MAKING
SURE
YOU ALL
REMEMBER
HOW
GLORIOUS
IT IS!
I WOULDN'T
WANT YOU
TO FORGET!

HRNNGH!

KOFF ZLT ZLT ZLT ZLT

DOE TOR! DOE TOR!

POP

SUNDER

I'M THE IDOL WHO'S BEEN TO HELL AND BACK! VLIN--

BLACK

STAGE

NATU-
RALLY
...!

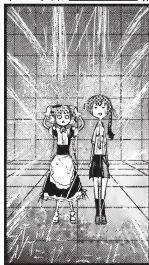
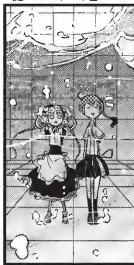
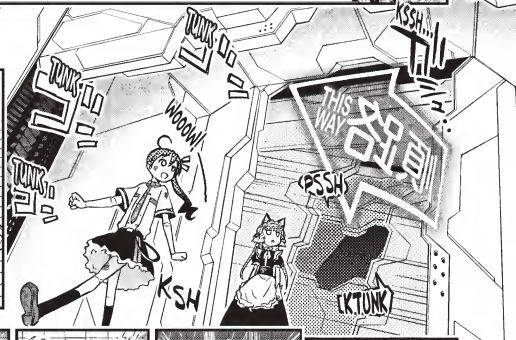
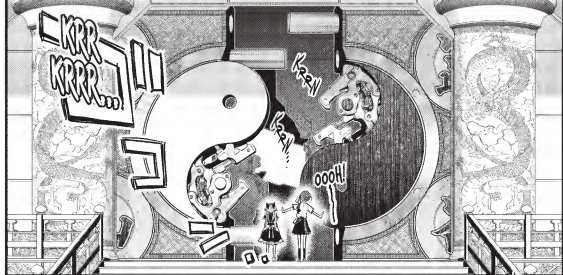
NGH... I
COLLAPSED
UNDER-
GROUND,
BUT NOW
I'M ON THE
SURFACE...?

RED
TAGS
TAKE
PRI-
ORITY!

KOFF KOFF









I USE
THIS?

A DIRECT
CONNECTION
TO
REGISTER
WITH
SECURITY?

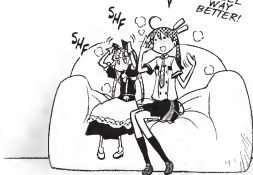
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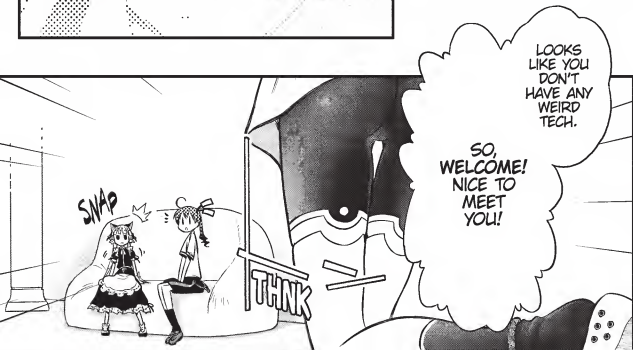


PERFECT
TIMING!
WE WERE
BOTH SO
FILTHY.

OH,
I SEE.
DECON-
TAMINA-
TION!

I FEEL
WAY
BETTER!



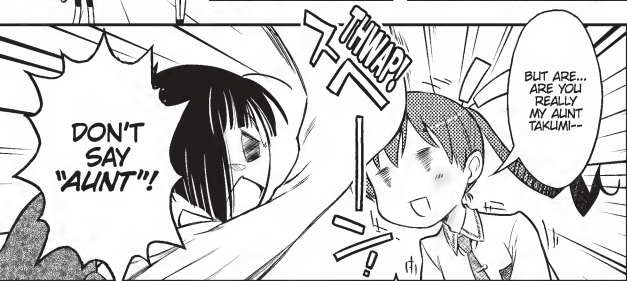


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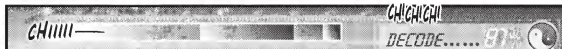
IT'S OUR
FIRST TIME
MEETING
IN PERSON,
HUH,
NENE-CHAN?

I'M
KOROBASE
TAKUMI,
YEAH!

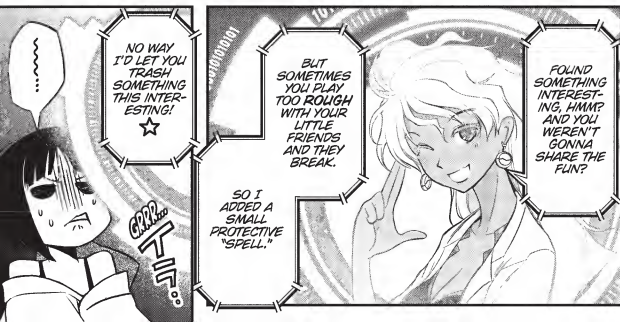
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T=h

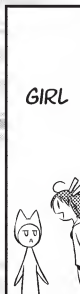


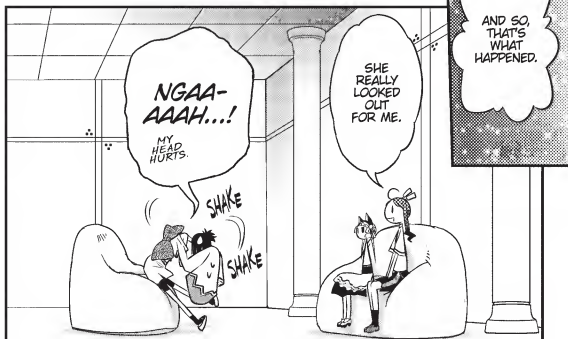




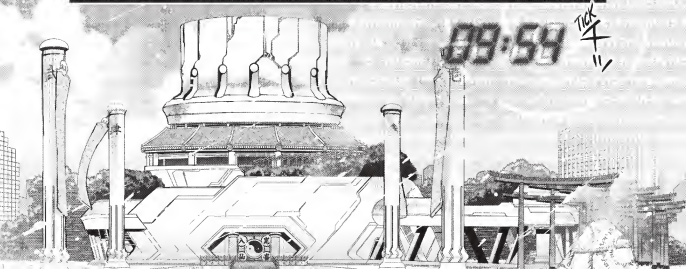
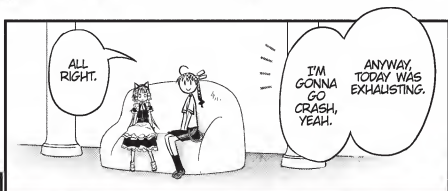
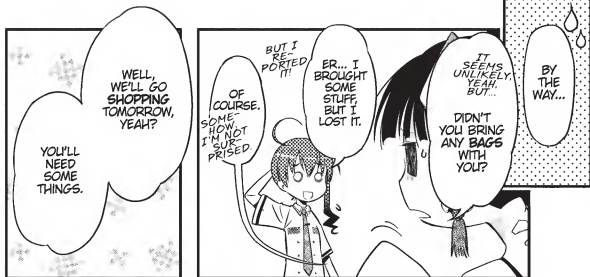
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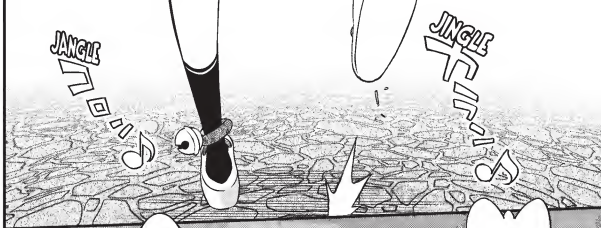












IT'S
GREAT
TO BE
OUTSIDE,
YEAH!

WHAT A
GORGEOUS
DAY!



COME ON,
HURRY UP!

THIS WAY,
YEAH!

YEAH!





CLARA-RIN?



THE MALL...

IS HUUUUGE!

.....



HURRY, HURRY, YEAH!

COME ON.....!!!

YOUR DRESS IS SO CUTE!

OKAY, THEN.



DO YOU FEEL SICK OR SOMETHING?

UM... ARE YOU OKAY?



HEALTHY.

TOTAL SMART VALUE: 92 POINTS.

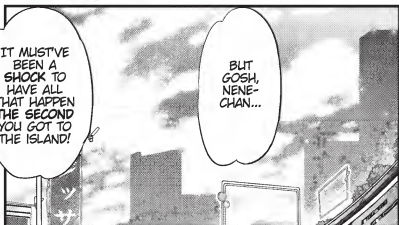
HUH? POINTS?

MUMBLE MUMBLE



IT MUST'VE
BEEN A
SHOCK TO
HAVE ALL
THAT HAPPEN
THE SECOND
YOU GOT TO
THE ISLAND!

BUT
GOSH,
NENE-
CHAN...



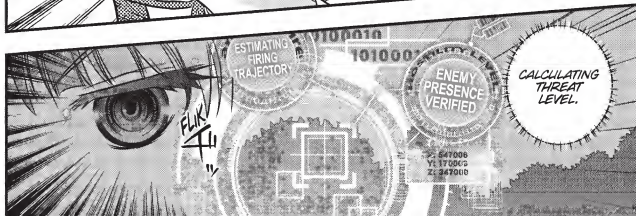
DON'T
WORRY,
THOUGH!
THINGS ARE
USUALLY
CALM HERE,
YEAH!



NENE!

IS
THERE A
CLOTHING
STORE
NEARBY?

ALL
THE
MAJOR
LABELS
HAVE
SHOPS
HERE,
YEAH!

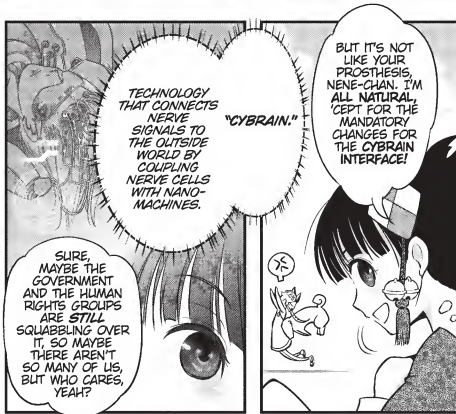


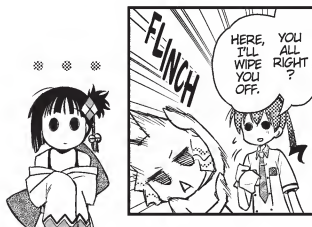
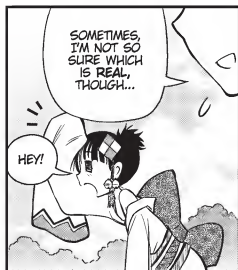
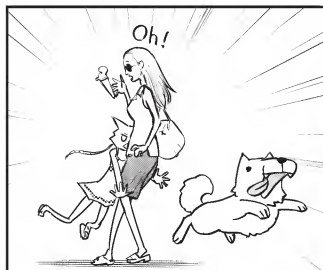




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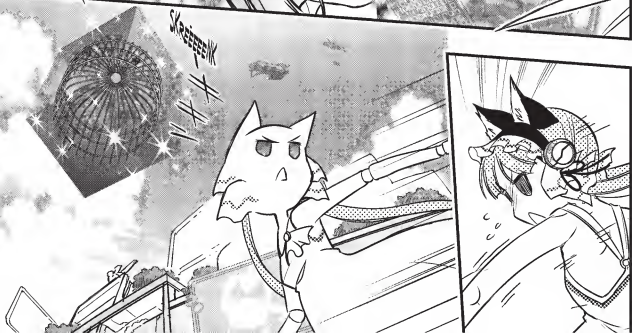
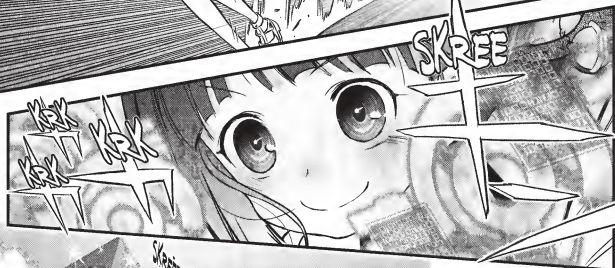


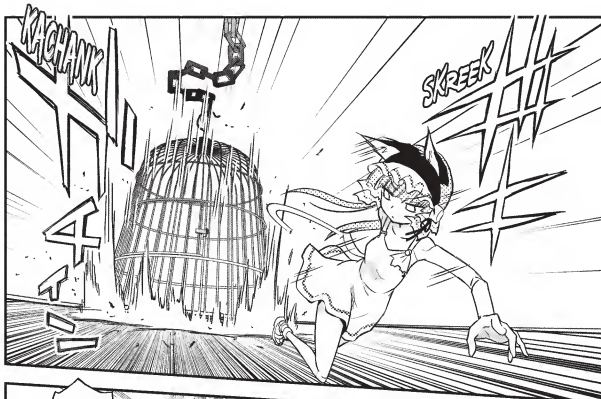


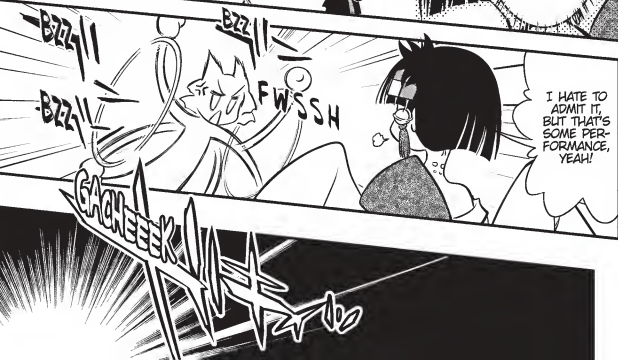
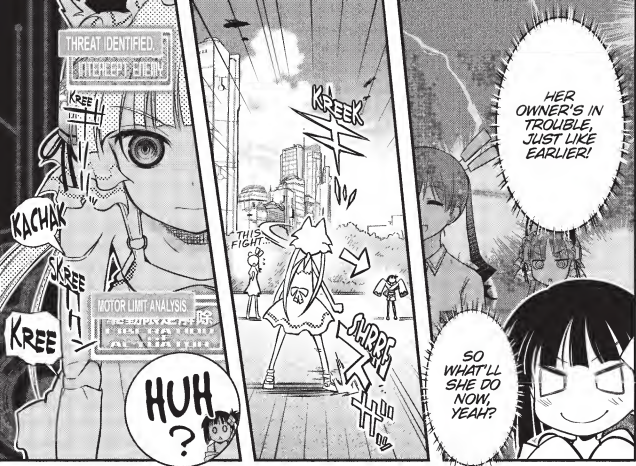














YOU'RE
STILL A
DOLL,
YEAH!



GUH GUH GUH...



BUT...



JULIUST
ACCEPT IT,
YEAH?



THERE'S
NO POINT
FIGHTING.

BUT
STUFF LIKE
THIS GETS
ME SO
CURIOUS--!

UM...
SHE
REALLY
DOES
HATE IT.

JUST
ONE
TEENY-
TINY
TOUCH,
YEAH...!

I
REFUSE!

ABSO-
LUTELY
NOT!!

Nooooo!

SNAP...

BAM

PLEASE
STOP!

ADMINISTRATIVE OVERRIDE
ADMIN
THE TOP
EDGE OF
RETROVIA

KREEN

AZEE

KRRRR

FORCED CONNECTION
INTERUPT
CONNECT

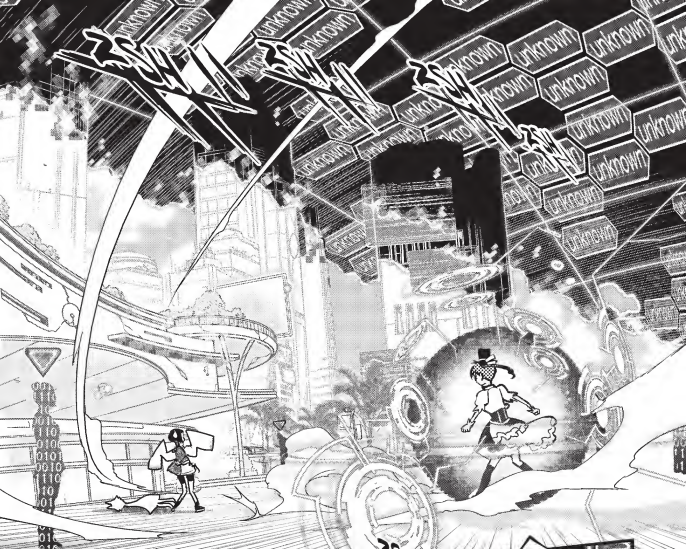
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PANDORA
DEVICE
OPEN!

RELEASE
SKILL
ELPIS
SERIES
HACKER
(WIZARD
CLASS).





WHAT
THE
HECK
KIND OF
SKILL
APP IS
THAT?!

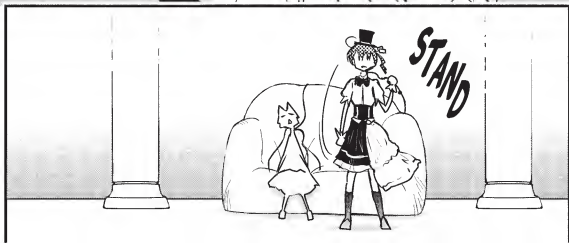
EVERY
SHRED
OF MY
DATA'S
BEING
OBLITER-
ATED,
YEAH!

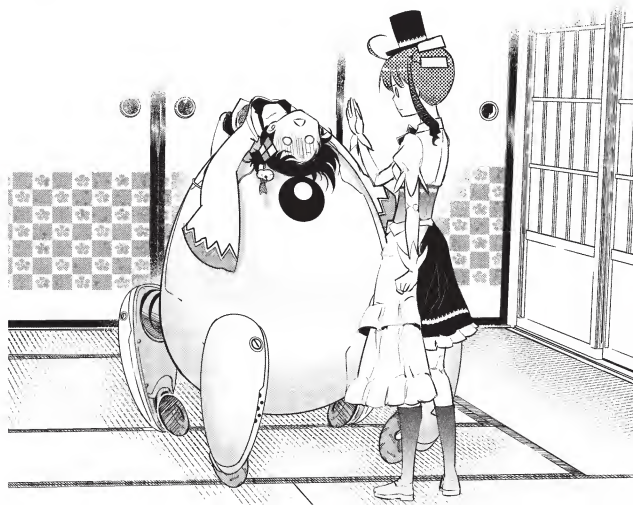


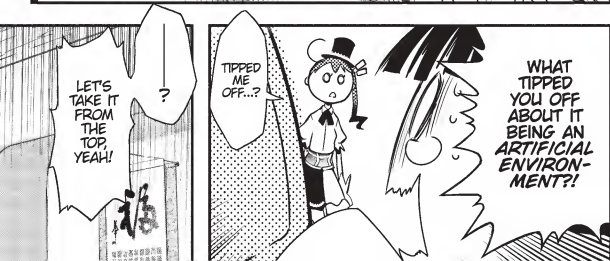
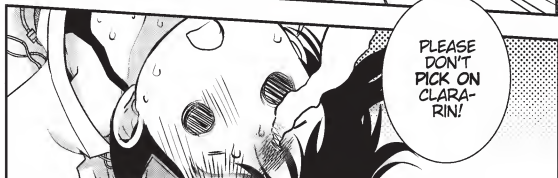
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NG A A A H !!









CLARA-
RIN
AND I...
CONNECTED...

SAT ON
THE
SOFA...

CLARA-
RIN
AND I...

GOT
DECON-
TAMI-
NATED.

CLARA-
RIN
AND I...

NENE-CHAN,
WHAT EXACTLY
HAVE YOU
DONE SINCE
ARRIVING AT
MY HOUSE?

SO SHE
KNEW
ALL
ALONG,
YEAH?!

EEEE!

THE GAME
WAS
FRIENDLY!

AND THEN
WE PLAYED A
GAME WHERE
WE WENT
FOR A WALK
FOR HALF
AN HOUR
OR SO!

OH,
I'M
BACK.

HYOOOON

?

THAT'S...

IMPOSSIBLE.

WHY THE
TRANSFOR-
MATION?

IT FOOLED
THE ARMY
AI AND
EVERYTHING,
YEAH!

I WAS SO
PROUD
OF THAT
TERRARILIM!



**PROTECTIVE
WALL.**

**SHE
HAS A
NATURAL...**



**AN
ADEPTER!**

**NANAKOROBİ
NENE IS...**



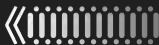
GULP!

REACH...

**THIS
GIRL
IS...**



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I'M
HERE
WITH
ISLAND
NEWS.

TTV Island News

THE AREA
OF THE CITY
AROUND
THE PORT
OF VULCAN
SUFFERED
EXTENSIVE
DAMAGE WHEN
THE BEDROCK
BELOW WAS
DESTROYED IN
AN EXPLOSION
CAUSED BY
TERRORIST
ACTIVITY.

THE
CENACLE
SELF-GOV-
ERNANCE
ORGANIZA-
TION HAS
ANNOUNCED
THAT...



NEWS
ROOM

COUNCIL MEETING
INFORMATION

LIVE
TTV

news special channel of TTV which reports the latest news for 24 hours.

THE
CENACLE
DEFENSE
FORCES
HAVE
REPORTED
THAT THEIR
INVESTIGA-
TION...

CONFIRMS
THAT SAHAR
SCHEHERA,
WHO WAS
WANTED
INTERNATION-
ALLY AND WHO
COORDINATED
THIS ATTACK,
DIED IN A
SUICIDE
BOMBING.

サハル・セヘラ

Sahar Schehera (terrorist)

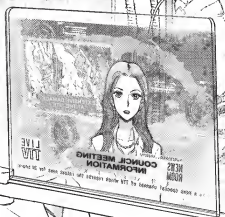
WHY
HASN'T
MY
DEBUT
REPORT
AIRED
YET?!

THEY
CALL
THAT
NEWS?!
WHO
CARES?!

THE CDF HAS MADE
MULTIPLE ARRESTS,
INCLUDING THOSE
THOUGHT TO BE
SAHAR SCHEHERA'S
SUBORDINATES,
AND INTENDS TO
INVESTIGATE THAT
RELATIONSHIP IN
GREATER DEPTH--

SNARF

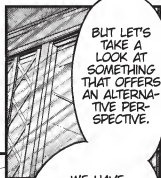
SNARF





AND NOW,
I'VE BEEN
REBORN
AS THE
IMMORTAL
IDOL
REPORTER--!

I WAS ONLY
A TOP IDOL
BEFORE,
BUT THEN I
HOVERED
BETWEEN LIFE
AND DEATH FOR
THREE DAYS!
I EVEN DIED
A COUPLE
OF TIMES!

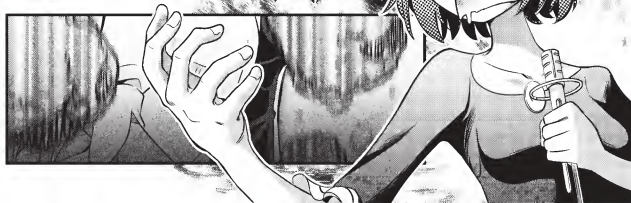
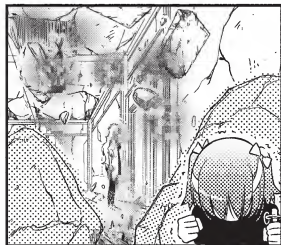


WE HAVE
ACTUAL
FOOTAGE OF
THE TERRORISTS
GETTING INTO
AN EMERGENCY
ELEVATOR
IMMEDIATELY
PRIOR TO THEIR
ARREST.

SOME
PEOPLE
HAVE
VOICED
THOSE
CRITICISMS
OF
DELILAH-
SHI.

"LIP-
START."
"WOLF
IN
SHEEP'S
CLOTH-
ING."





IN THIS
INVALUABLE
FOOTAGE
RECOVERED
FROM THE
CAMERA I
HAPPENED TO
MISPLACE
ON THE
SCENE!

THERE'S
NO
DOUBT
ABOUT
HOW
THINGS
PLAY OUT...



HURRY!

HE'LL
BE SO
THRILLED
--!

I HAVE TO
EDIT THIS
VIDEO AND
SEND IT TO
THE BUREAU
CHIEF ASAP!

WHUD

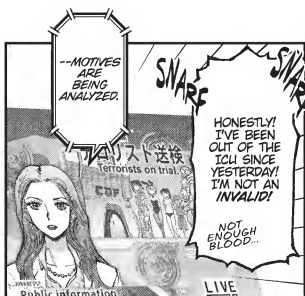
DAMMIT
I SAID
VISITOR
BUT I DIDN'T
ACCOUNT
FOR NURSE
COMING

SLAM

KA
CHANK!

YOU
ABSOLUTELY
HAVE TO
REST!!

WHY DO
YOU THINK
RE
G?!



--MOTIVES
ARE
BEING
ANALYZED.

テロリスト送検
Terrorists on trial.

HONESTLY!
I'VE BEEN
OUT OF THE
ICU SINCE
YESTERDAY!
I'M NOT AN
INVALID!

NOT
ENOUGH
BLOOD...

LIVE



業中治療
ICU
Intensive Care Unit
Bed rest required!
Filming prohibited!

NAME
VLIN
FEMALE

HMPH!

I'M
GONNA
BE THE
NEWS
ANCHOR
SOMEDAY
...!

JUST
YOU
KEEP
THAT
CHAIR
WARM
FOR ME.



移送中の
テロリスト

TERRORISTS BEING TRANSFERRED.

WILL
PETITION
FOR
CRIMINAL
PENALTIES
AND \$30
BILLION IN
DAMAGES
FROM THE
ACCOM-
PLICES.

GOING
FORWARD,
THE
CSGO...



GLUG
GLUG..



TODAY,
FIVE DAYS
AFTER THE
BIZARRE
INCIDENT
THAT RAVAGED
THE ISLAND
OF CENACLE,
JEWEL OF THE
SOUTHERN
SEAS...

IN
RELATED
NEWS...

ALL
RIGHT!
NEXT
NEWS
ITEM!

FWAH!

LIZAL DELILAH-SHI, CEO OF THE RARE FOUNDATION, WHO WAS A VICTIM OF THE TERRORISTS.

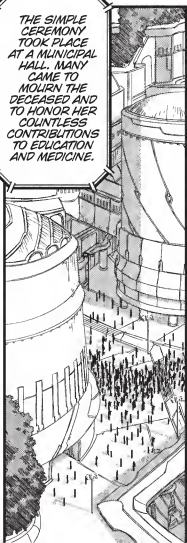
A SUBDUED MEMORIAL CEREMONY WAS HELD FOR...



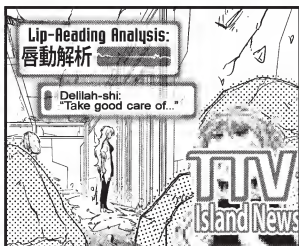
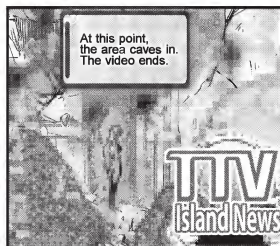
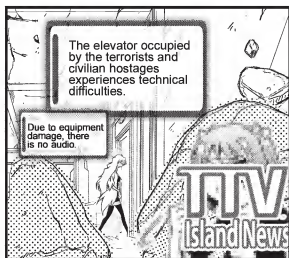
THE DECEASED OPERATED MULTIPLE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS AND SUPPORT FACILITIES. LOSING HER IN THE RECENT TERRORIST ATTACK WAS A SEVERE BLOW IN MANY ARENAS OF LIFE.

IN FACT, EVEN THOUGH THE NATURE OF THE DISASTER MEANT THAT THE DATE AND TIME OF THE SERVICE WERE NOT MADE PUBLIC, AN ENDLESS STREAM OF PEOPLE STOPPED OUTSIDE THE HALL TO OFFER FLOWERS AND SILENT PRAYERS.

THE SIMPLE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT A MUNICIPAL HALL. MANY CAME TO MOURN THE DECEASED AND TO HONOR HER COUNTLESS CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND MEDICINE.



People are people,
the world over.





AT THE SCENE,
PEOPLE'S
SADNESS AND
OPPOSITION TO
TERRORISM
ARE PALPABLE.

TAKING
THIS INTO
CONSIDERATION,
THE CSGO
INTENDS TO
ESTABLISH AN
ORGANIZATION
TO PRESERVE
PUBLIC SAFETY
FROM EXISTING
PLANS--



ALL OF US
HERE AT TTV
OFFER OUR
SINCEREST
SYMPATHIES AT
THE LOSS OF
THE HERO UZAL
DEILAH-SHI,
WHO SACRIFICED
HERSELF TO
SAVE OTHER
CITIZENS.

THIS FOOTAGE,
ACCIDENTALLY
CAPTURED BY
A MEMBER OF
THE PUBLIC,
SEEMS TO
SHOW UZAL
DEILAH-SHI
ACTING
HEROICALLY.

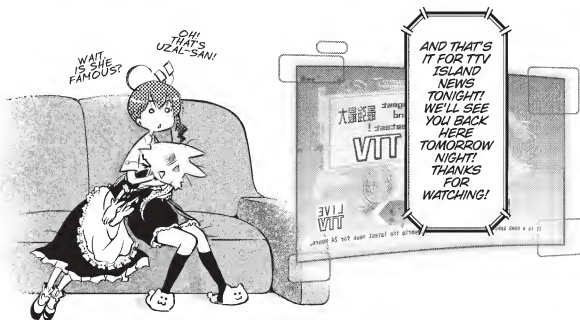
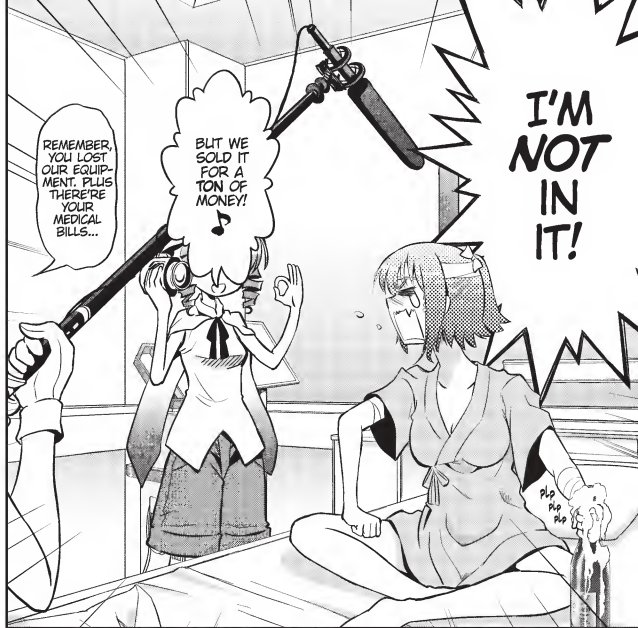
SANDRA JARIN
NEWS ROOM

企業家の崇高な行動

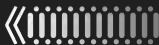
Noble act by businesswoman.

special channel of TTV which reports the late





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IN THE WAKE OF
THE TERRORIST
ACTIVITY ON
CENACLE, THE
DAMAGE IS STILL
WIDESPREAD
ENOUGH THAT
ACCESS TO 80%
OF THE AREA
REMAINS
RESTRICTED.

AT TIMES
LIKE THIS,
THE GEARS
OF HISTORY
GRIND AND
THE FOUND-
ATIONS OF
OUR WORLD
CRACK.

BUT WE
MUST
FACE IT
WITHOUT
HATRED.

THIS
VIOLENCE
IS
UNFORGIV-
ABLE...



HONESTLY!
WHERE
DID SHE
DISAPPEAR
TO
NOW?!

IT'S MY
HUNCH THAT
THE TERRORIST
CELL WILL BE
TRANSFERRED
HERE TO
SISYPHUS
PRISON IN THE
NEXT FEW
DAYS--

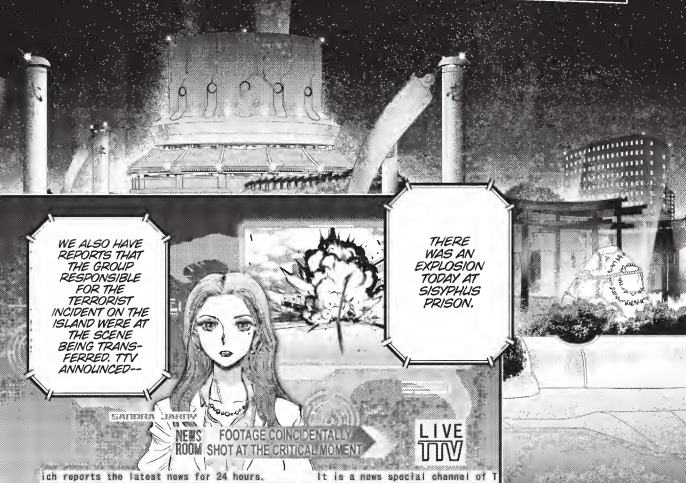
WILL IT
BE THE
LAW THAT
JUDGES,
OR
HISTORY
...?

KRR

KRR

KRR





I HAD THIS
BACKUP OF MY
TERRARIUM
DATA FROM
BEFORE MY
LAST TWEAKS,
SO IT'S ALL
GOOD.

NENE-CHAN'S
SCARY
WHEN SHE'S
MAD!

WE CAN
TRY THE
WELCOME
PARTY
AGAIN NOW,
YEAH.

HMM?

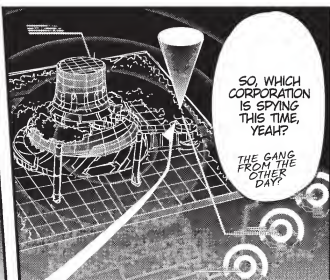
ALERT

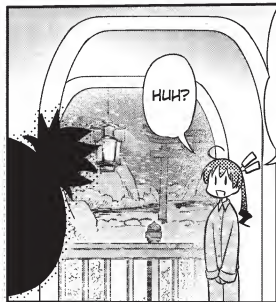
A "GUEST"
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF THE
NIGHT...?

侵入者アリ
INTRUDER

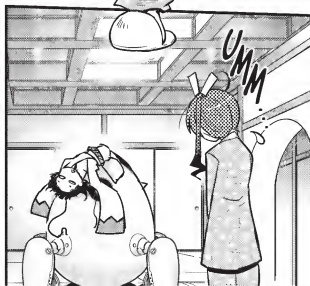
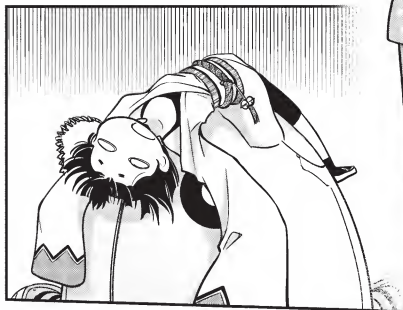
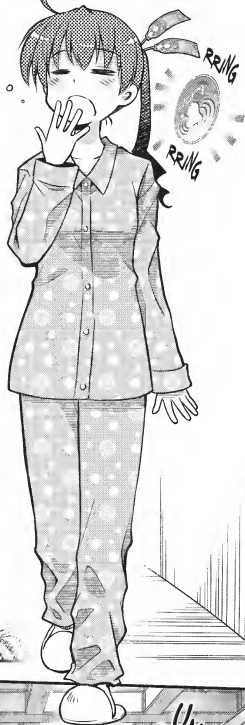
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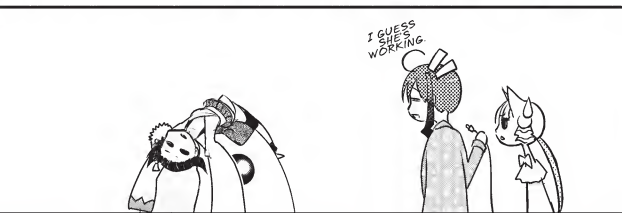
ALERT





OH!
GOOD
MORNING,
TAKUMI-
CHAN!









HONESTLY!



OKAY!
I'LL
BE
CARE-
FUL!

JUST BECAUSE
YOU FINALLY
HAVE A CHANCE
TO RELAX,
DOESN'T MEAN
YOU CAN GO
NUTS, YEAH!

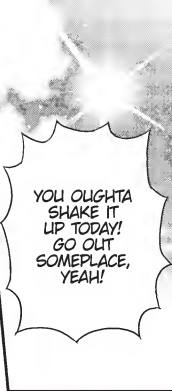
AND ALL
BECAUSE
OF
UZAL...

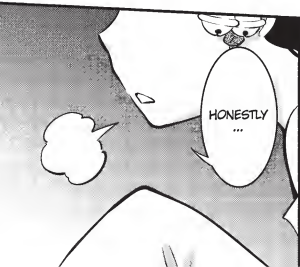
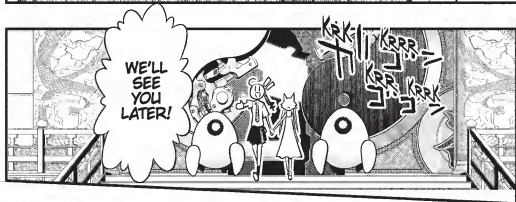
TOTALLY
UNDERSTAND-
ABLE

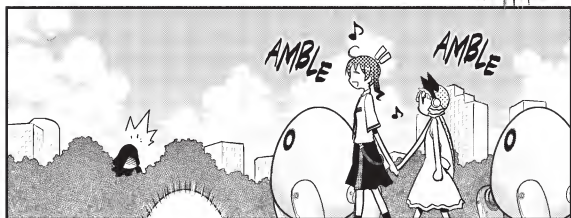
YOU'VE
BEEN
GOING
FLAT-OUT
FOR DAYS,
YEAH, SO
IT'S NO
WONDER.

THE MILITARY
POLICE GRILLED
YOU... THE
IMMIGRATION
PROCESS IS A
HUGE PAIN...

WELL,
YOU GOT
CAUGHT UP
IN WEIRD
STUFF
AS SOON
AS YOU
REACHED
THE
ISLAND.





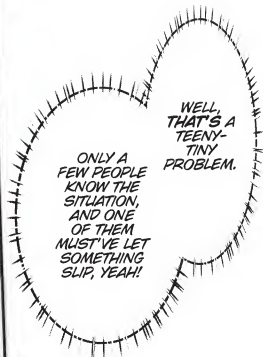




I DON'T BUY
THAT SHE
HAS THAT
KIND OF
STELLAR
INFORMATION
NETWORK,
WHOEVER
SHE IS...



BUT IT'S
STILL
WAY TOO
SOON,
YEAH...



WELL,
THAT'S A
TEENY-
TINY
PROBLEM.

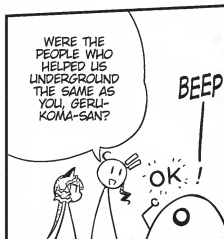
ONLY A
FEW PEOPLE
KNOW THE
SITUATION,
AND ONE
OF THEM
MUST'VE LET
SOMETHING
SLIP, YEAH!



GREAT!
LET'S GO
SHOPPING!

EQUIPMENT
AND
BACKUP
STORAGE.

DO YOU
WANT
ANYTHING,
CLARA-
RIN?



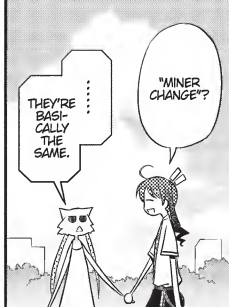


WELL,
THEN,
THANKS
FOR
HELPING
US!



THEY
ARE?

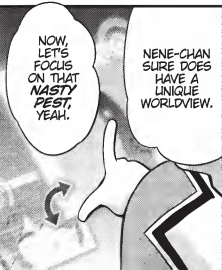
YOU
SURE
KNOW
A LOT,
CLARA-
RIN!



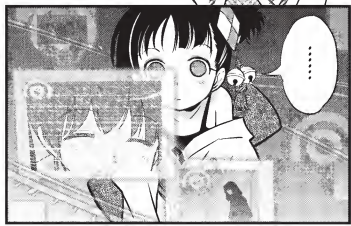
THANK YOU
SO MUCH
FOR SAVING
CLARA-RIN...

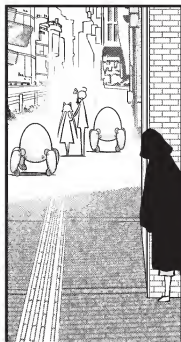
GERU-
KOMA-
SAN.

AND...

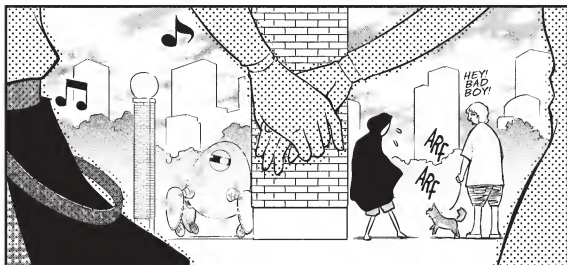


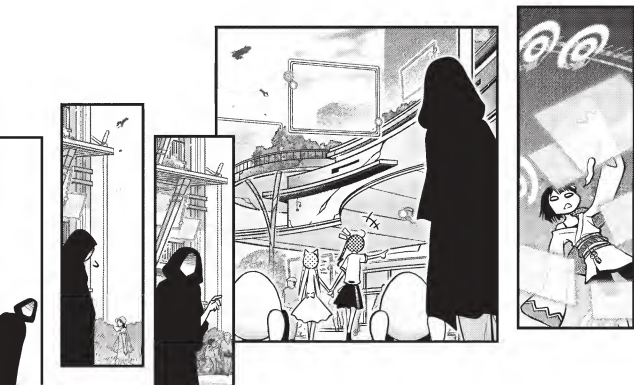
NENE-CHAN
SURE DOES
HAVE A
UNIQUE
WORLDVIEW.



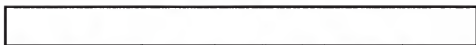




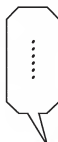








THERE SURE ARE LOTS OF WEIRD SIGNS, HUH, CLARA-RIN?





I'VE PRACTICALLY GIFT-WRAPPED THIS CHANCE FOR YOU, LITTLE MISS TAIL. GO FOR IT, YEAH!



BUT IT'S PRACTICALLY DESERTED DURING THE DAY! NO ONE GOES THERE WITHOUT A REASON.

CHARON'S THE "ENTERTAINMENT" DISTRICT-- NOOOOO WAY I COULDN'T SENT NENE-CHAN THERE AT NIGHT WITH WHAT GOES ON DOWN THERE, YEAH!



IF YOU'RE AFTER UZAL'S DOLL, THAT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.

WHICH OF THEM ARE YOU GUNNING FOR?



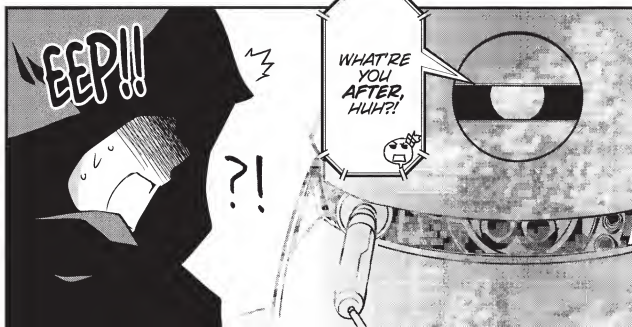
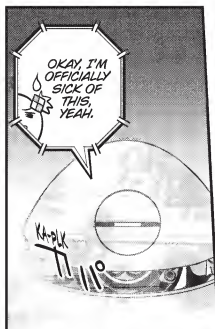
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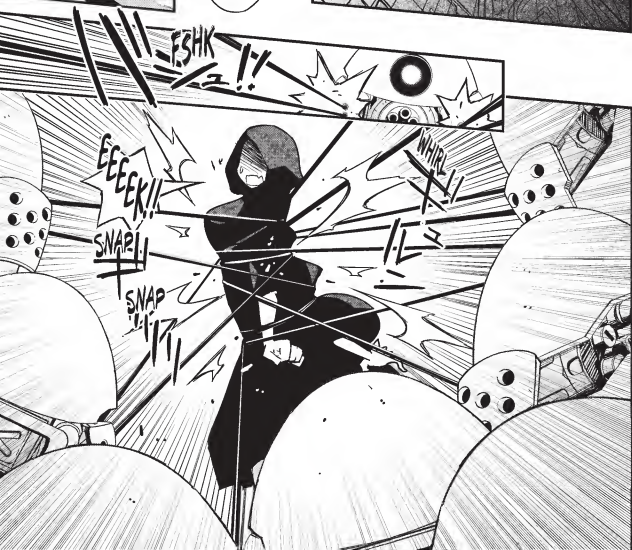
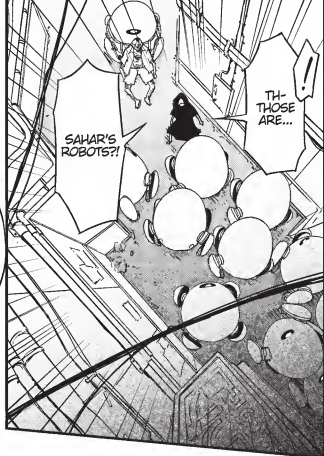
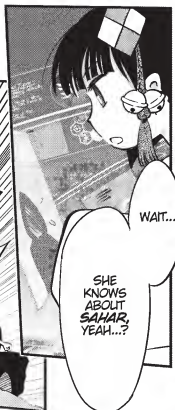
WE'RE HERE!

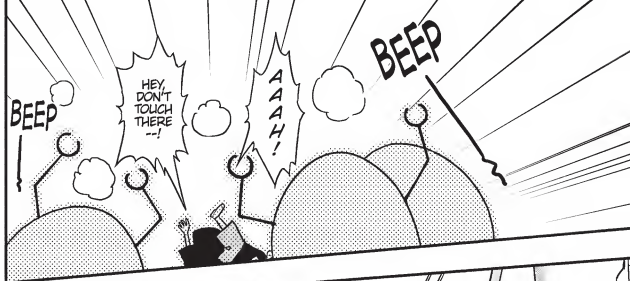
I'LL SQUASH YOU AND WHOEVER'S BACKING YOU LIKE BUGS, YEAH.

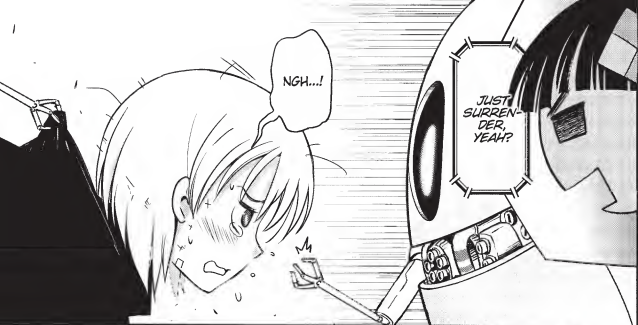
BUT IF NENE-CHAN'S YOUR TARGET...















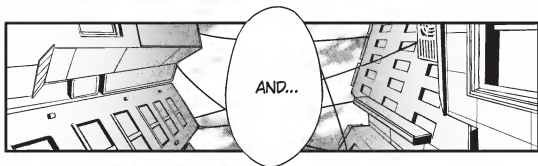


DÉJÀ
VU...



HMPH!

SPYING
ON
PEOPLE
IS
TOTALLY
NOT
OKAY!



AND...



HEY,
WILL
SOMEBODY
PLEASE
TELL ME
WHAT'S
GOING ON?!

AND
UNTIE
ME!

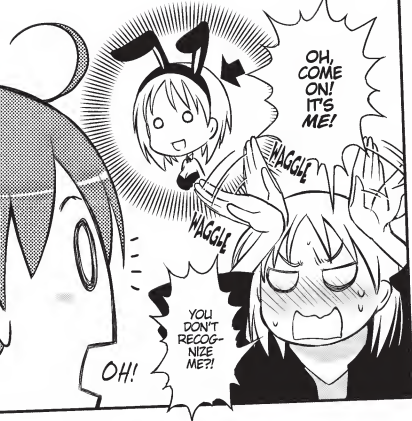


OH,
WHAT-
EVER

I GUESS
CLARA-RIN
WANTED TO
KEEP IT
SECRET!

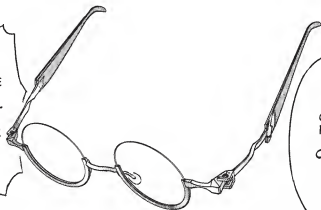
"IT"?
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT
BLUER...
YEAH?





JUST
THINKING
ABOUT
WHAT SAHAR
PULLED
MAKES ME
ANGRY ALL
OVER AGAIN!
THAT
JERK--!

YES! THE
REAL
AUTHORI-
ZATION
KEY FOR
BUER!



THE
ONES
FROM
THE
OTHER
DAY?

GLASSES
...?

OH!



YEAH!
BECAUSE
--!

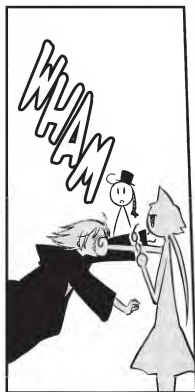
BY
TOMOR-
ROW?

WE
NEED
THEM
BY
TOMOR-
ROW!

YOU
HAVE
TO
REMEM-
BER!

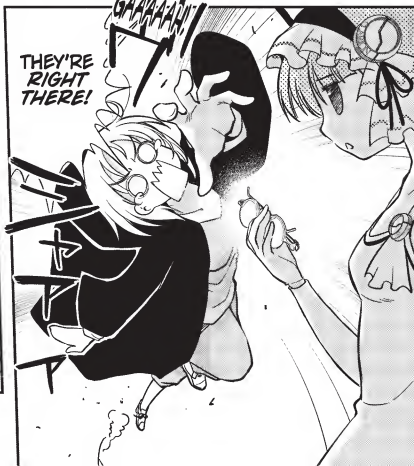
LIM...
LET ME
SEE...

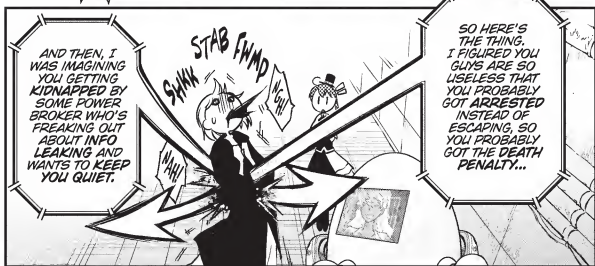
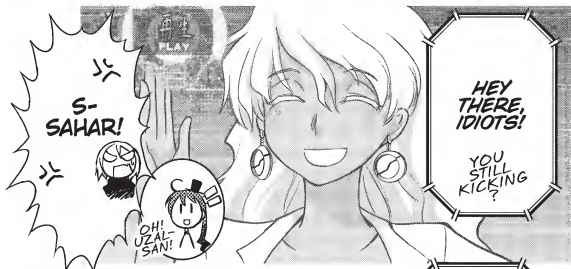
WHAT
DID I
DO
WITH
THEM
...?

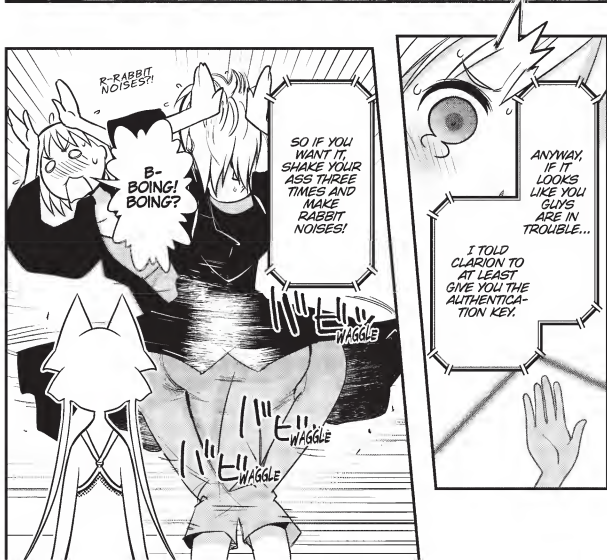


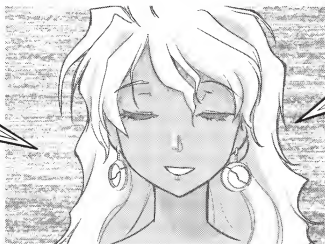
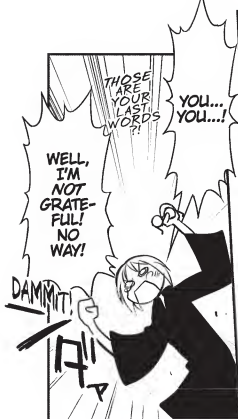
THEY'RE
RIGHT
THERE!

GAAAAA!











CAPTAIN!
I GOT IT!
I GOT THE
AUTHORIZA-
TION KEY!



YOU
ACTUALLY
PULLED
IT OFF,
DID YOU?

YES!!



J-JUST
AS I
PROMISED.

IF I CAN
GET HOLD
OF IT,
GIVE US
ANOTHER
CHANCE!

WE HAVE
AN IDEA
OF HOW
TO
ACCESS
BLUER!

WE KNOW
A SIMPLE
WAY TO
ELIMINATE
THE RISK
OF SUCH
A LEAK.

WE
REMOVED
YOU FROM
JAIL TO
PREVENT
INFORMA-
TION
LEAKS.

CLAAANG





BUER'S AUTHEN-
TICATION
KEY.

CHK

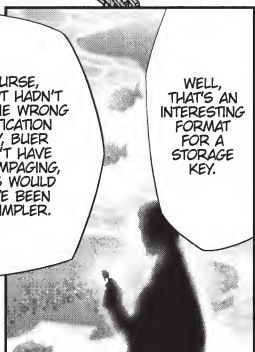
THESE
HOLD...



URK!

I'M SO
S--

OF COURSE,
IF YOU LOT HADN'T
GOTTEN THE WRONG
AUTHENTICATION
INITIALLY, BUER
WOULDN'T HAVE
GONE RAMPAGING,
AND THIS WOULD
ALL HAVE BEEN
MUCH SIMPLER.



WELL,
THAT'S AN
INTERESTING
FORMAT
FOR A
STORAGE
KEY.

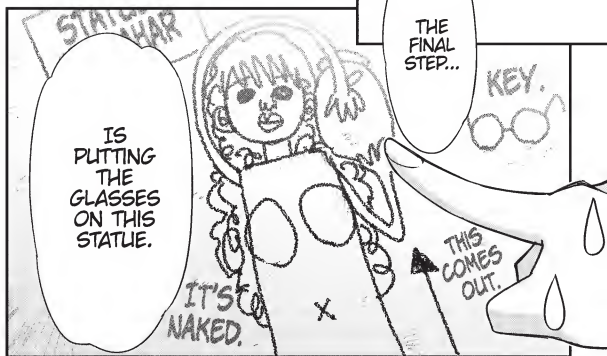


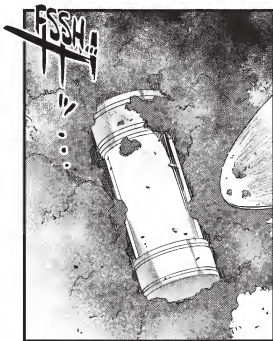
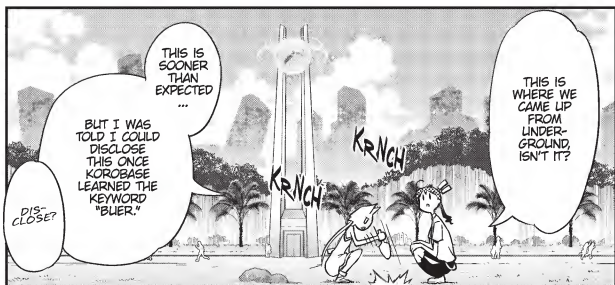
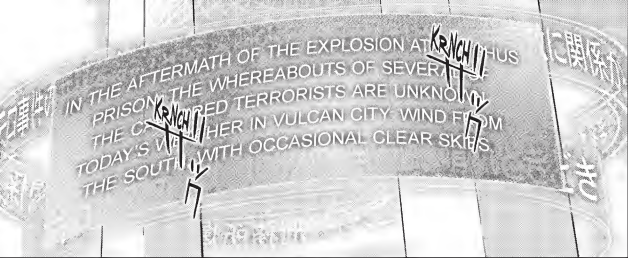
JUST
WATCH.

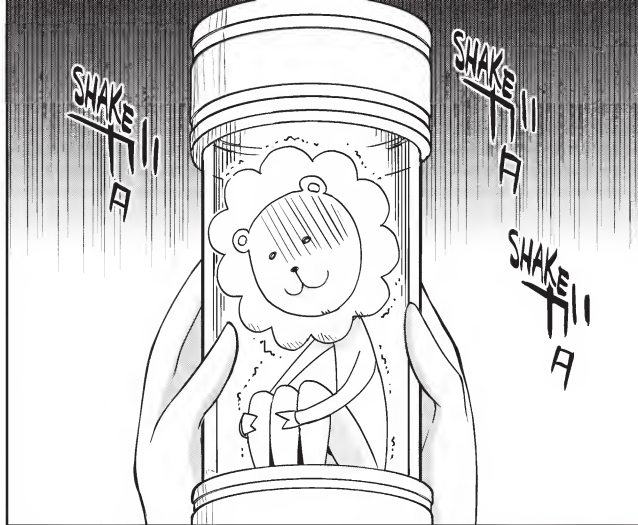
I'LL
DRAW A
DIAGRAM.

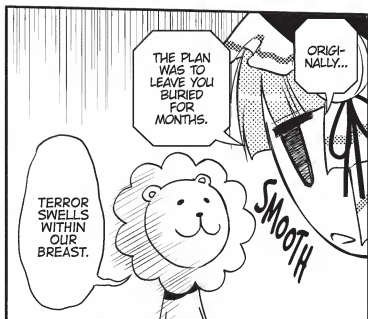
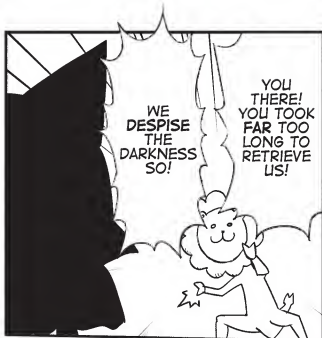
IT'S...
KIND OF
HARD TO
EXPLAIN.

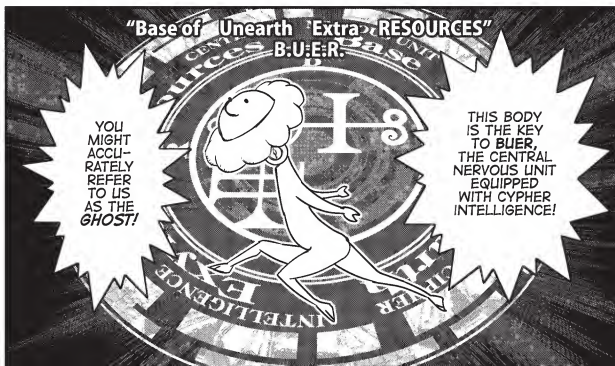
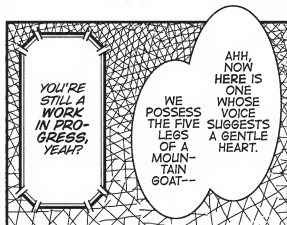
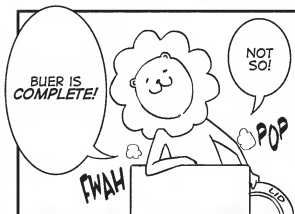
SO HOW
DO YOU
USE
THEM?













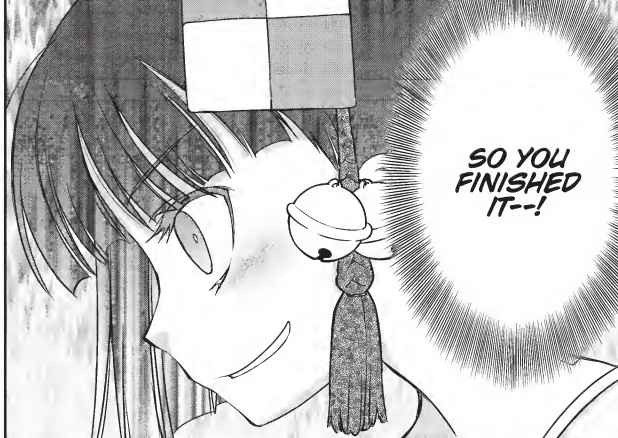
ALTHOUGH
OUR MASSIVE,
SELFISH BODY
SLUMBERS AT
PRESENT...

IT IS
FUNCTIONING
AS IT
SHOULD.



THAT
DAMNED
LIZAL....!

I
SEE.



SO YOU
FINISHED
IT--!

UZAL'S
DOLL
COMING
HERE...



THAT
TERRORIST
INCIDENT...



THIS
THING
IS A
NUISANCE,
BUT...

SO
ANNOYING.

FLUTTER

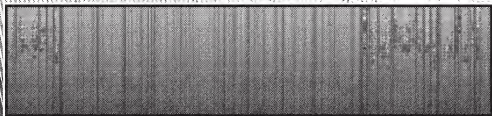
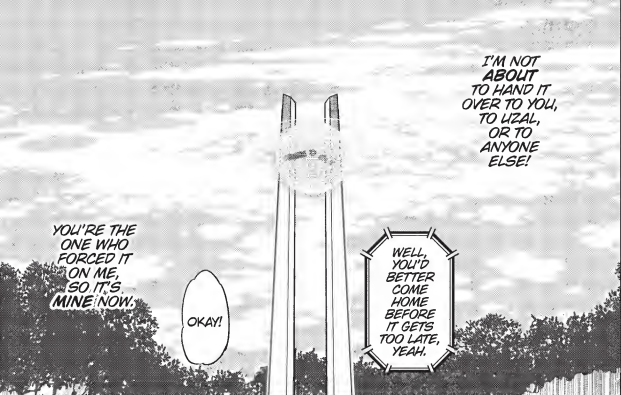


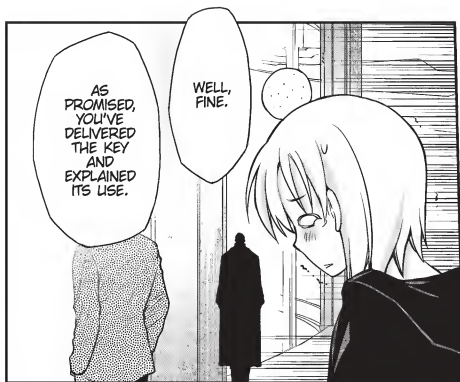
HEH
HEH
HEH...



IT'S ALL
CONNECTED,
YEAH!



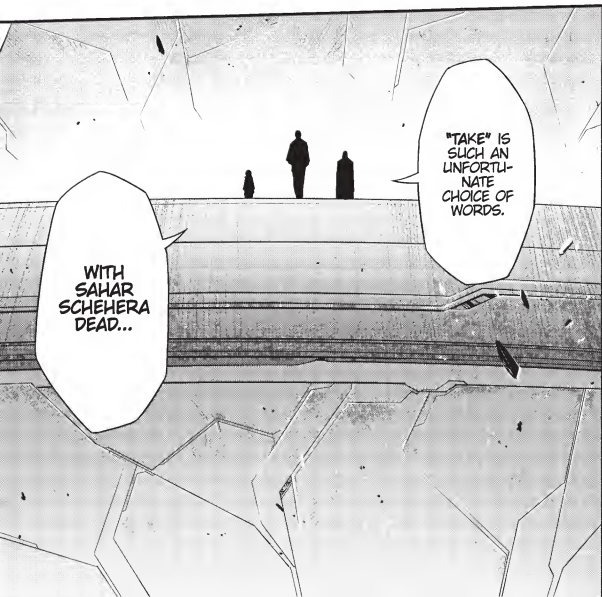






WE'LL
COME
THROUGH
THIS TIME!
WE'LL TAKE
BUER!

HEH
HEH...



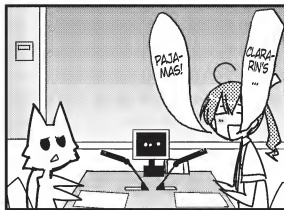
WITH
SAHAR
SCHEHERA
DEAD...

"TAKE" IS
SUCH AN
UNFORTU-
NATE
CHOICE OF
WORDS.

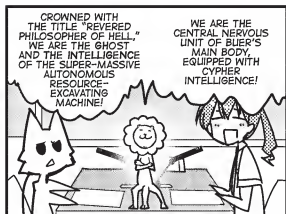
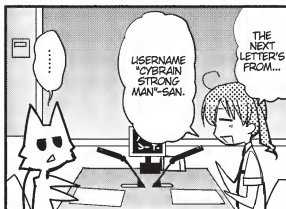


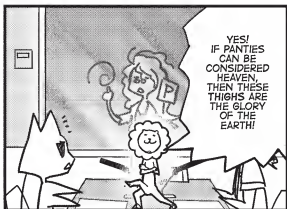
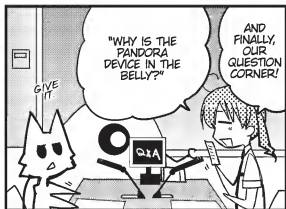
**BUER
BELONGS
TO ME.**

...TO BE CONTINUED









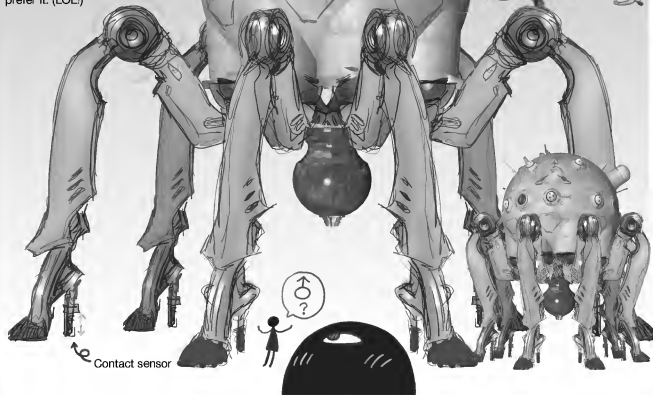
TO BE CONTINUED...

Buer Rough Concept

Concept for a radioactive machine. In manga, it's convey to the reader what happens in the story w/ unit sticking out. Now it just it inside its torso. But could've used these cooling vents to help itself... able to leave it fully open afterall?!

ORIGINAL CONCEPT DESIGN NOTES

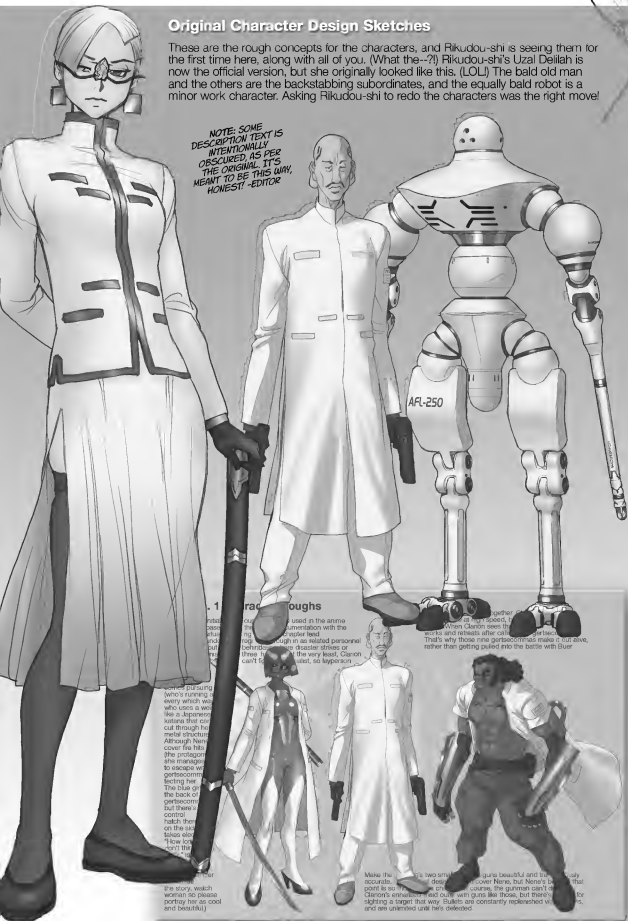
I created the rough version of Buer after being instructed to make a slightly more serious iteration of the machine. I did go through the motions of designing it, but it would be a hassle to draw that in the manga, and it just looks so...normal. It's boring. Rikudo-shi's Buer is more expressive in all ways. I definitely prefer it. (LOL!)



Original Character Design Sketches

These are the rough concepts for the characters, and Rikudou-shi is seeing them for the first time here, along with all of you. (What the--?) Rikudou-shi's Uzal Deillah is now the official version, but she originally looked like this. (LOL) The bald old man and the others are the backstabbing subordinates, and the equally bald robot is a minor work character. Asking Rikudou-shi to redo the characters was the right move!

NOTE: SOME DESCRIPTION TEXT IS INTENTIONALLY OBSCURED, AS PER THE ORIGINAL. IT'S MEANT TO BE THIS WAY, HONEST! -EDITOR



1. Roughs

These roughs were used in the anime. The character design team used the roughs as a reference for the final design. The roughs were also used as a reference for the final design.

...who's running... every which way... who uses a well... like a Japanese... sutra that can... cut through the... metal structure... Although Nene... cover for him... the protagonist... she manages to... escape with... gurren... The blue... the back of... gurren... but there's... control... hatch there... on the side... takes also... "How long... don't the..."

in the story, which... woman so please... portray her as cool... and beautiful.)

...at high speed, together... When Kamina sees the... and rebels after... That's why those nine gurren... make it out alive... rather than getting pulled into the battle with Buu

Make the... two small... guns beautiful and... accurately... design... cover Nene, but Nene's... point is so... of course, the gurren can't... Kamina's enthusiasm... with guns like those, but there's... for... sighting a target that way. Bullets are constantly replenished... and are unlimited until he's defeated

Greetings! (For the second time!)

Uzal's original name was (Doctor) Dindi Bekker Al Said--quite the mouthful! That same character also appeared in the rough draft of another work, *Ghost in the Shell: Arise*. (*laughs* But they each ended up looking very different, and the original design was put to bed.)

For this story, I had four names under consideration: Uzal Delilah, Sahar Al Jira, Kuhar Schehera, and Sahar Schehera. In my initial character notes, I wrote, "She's obsessed with control, so she surrounds herself with robots (and humans who've gotten through her defenses with the intention of betrayal). The concept was that she's an extremely wealthy person who makes her living in the water business, but also an evil scientist plotting world domination, which isn't the healthiest lifestyle choice. (Let's not get into exactly what "domination" would mean here.)

Anyway, that information was made public in the ads and book introductions when the story was going to be serialized, which may be why the actual text never comes out and mentions it (although it does heavily imply the truth about Uzal throughout).

Maybe Clarion's cat ears come from the picture of a cat on a villain's lap, which shows up in 007? Also, in the original rough notes, there was a version with a different plan involving Doctor Croxide, who always work black and worked in a high-speed cruising submarine. In that version, the doctor had a white cat-shaped robot named Clarion who was always in a bad mood.

This is all fairly typical for me: the initial plan, design, etc. turn into something more dynamic in response to orders from whoever's putting the money up (or in response to someone else on site, or the general flow of things). There are times when it all falls apart, and other times when--like now--the concept is magnificently brought to life by the manga artist. This time, we managed to incorporate the cyberpunk element of cyber panties, and I have enjoyed myself a great deal. My sincerest gratitude to Rikudo-shi and everyone else involved!

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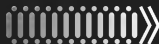
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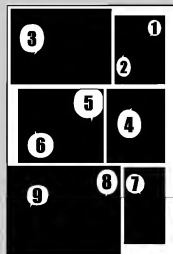
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